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W. H. CURTIS, Adjutant.

W. R. C.

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E. A. U.

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K. O. T. M.

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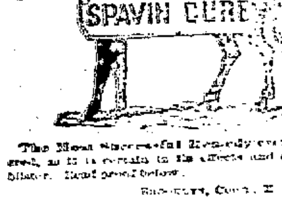

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CHAPTER III.

THE GREEN EYED MONSTER.

"As I say, sir, so justly, there can be no happiness without an income."

I am confident I am not at all of a jealous turn. Othello was ever my pet aversion among the creations of the "divine William," and he of the green eyes might have made his meat for ever before he should have fed on me. But then some things are too plain not to be seen by the plainest of men.

It soon became perfectly palpable that there was some strange understanding between Tom and his cousin. It was very odd, too. I never had such suspicion before, but now, clear as daylight, it appeared and demanded recognition. There was no doubting it; there was an understanding. It was evidently an arrangement to make me drive at the risk of all our necks that he might sit by her. That his whine about his hands was all stuff was proven by the confidential, smothered talk they had kept up all the way, and by the meaning glances they exchanged even now. Yes, I could see it all now as plain as day—see it by his ever expressive gesture, by his tender devotion as he led her into the little parlor of the tavern. Yes, there was an understanding between those two too plain to be mistaken; and then—But I know I can understand some things as well as the next man! Had my eyes been blindfold heretofore? Had I been, like Ford in "The Merry Wives," a secure ass?

Tom pacified the overturned one, and gave him hot flip. Then, to show his forgiveness, the overturned insisted on our having hot flip with him, by which time the fussy landlady appeared and beckoned mysteriously to Tom. I have confidence enough in myself to believe that, even then, I was not an eavesdropper, but I could not help hearing, "we might manage to send a boy on horseback," and "that the dear young lady appeared so anxious and worrit in mind," at which Tom disappeared abruptly. What the deuce did it all mean? More mystery; so I took more hot flip with him of the tumble. After a time I heard Tom's voice in the parlor again. I know not why, but I gulped my flip scalding hot, and strode toward the sound.

Perdition! What a sight was there! Miss Blythe stood by the roaring grate; her head had fallen back upon her sloping shoulders, one perfect little foot resting in graceful negligence upon the fender. Her eyes, filled with tears, were lifted pleadingly to Tom's, and her hands, yes, both her hands, clasped his shoulder so lovingly my teeth ground together before I heard her say:

"Right or wrong, Tom dear, I would do twice as much for you!" The room seemed going round with me. By heaven! I would that very moment—No, I wouldn't, either. What right had I to interfere? and they didn't even see me, so engrossed were they with each other. So I fled in my wrath and took more hot flip with the overturned, and then the overturned took more hot flip with me. Had that yellow tipple been the hemlock potion I would have drained it just as eagerly, perhaps.

"Waiting, old boy!" And the perfidious friend's hand was on my shoulder. Had Lieut. Thomas Jones, United States Boomerangs, ever seen Iago, in his celebrated role of Edwin Forrest, glare superlatively at some supernumerary Cassio, then would that officer have understood the look with which I turned upon him. He had never seen the great artist in his great part, however, for he only looked very contented and very happy as he said:

"I think I wouldn't drink any more flip if I were you," and we were out on the snow again. "I'll spell you at the reins a bit," he added, with another queer look at me. "Your arms must be tired, and I'm fresh as a lark again. Are you sure you're all right there, Bet?"

There was a tender intonation in the question that made me feel vicious, but the softened gurgle of her "Yes, dear cousin Tom," set my very soul on fire.

Miss Blythe tucked the buffalo away, and made room for me on the back seat. Looking straight across country, and utterly ignoring her gesture, I clambered up beside my rival and tugged stolidly at the buffalo.

"All right, boys! Let go their heads—now!"

With a lurch and a swing we were off again. Once more we skimmed over hill and meadow; once more the wind whistled merrily past us, and our bells chased it in a musical peal. But the sunlight on the snow looked black to me now; the bells only tolled a requiem for my dead hopes, and the wind, in its backward rush, only hissed, "She loves him! She loves him!"

Though the horses were freshened by their rest and pulled like steam tugs, Tom still found a way to turn and keep up a running talk with his cousin. But as he turned on the side away from me, and the words were swept back on the wind, only a confused murmur and none of their sense reached me.

I don't imagine any tumbril passenger ticketed through for the guillotine, ever jolted along more miserably than I did those six miles. That morning I had loved Tom Jones as a brother. I had worshiped the very ground on which his cousin's No. 13 slipper trod; I would have crawled on my knees to have her accept the heart that was hers in its every pulse! Now I hated that brevet second lieutenant with a mortal hate. I would sooner have mixed my heart in a hot flip and proffered it to the bearded lip of the overturned than have yielded it to the tenderest beseechings of the false, the perfidious, the chameleon Bettie Blythe.

All things, however, even tortures, have an end, and in course of time we reached "Shadynook." The unmated mistress of the mansion was on the porch, in the primmest of caps and most blankety of shawls, as soon as our sleigh whirled into the circular drive. Miss Anna flew down the steps and twined herself around Miss Blythe, still implicated in the furs. They were wrapped in each other's arms I should calculate some twenty seconds—they seemed to me as many minutes—and, as they uncoiled, I got the damaged remnant of a confidence. I distinctly caught the whispered words, "the dearest of fellows!" and "all fixed and ready," from the perfidious lips of Miss Blythe. To me at that moment the argus eyed spinster, panoplied in immaculate cap and ditto virtue, seemed a pitiful fagot of weak precautions. I felt bitterly superior to her unworldliness, and thrilled with unholy satisfaction that under her so guarded roof was introduced a clandestine passion none dreamed of save myself.

As for Miss Anna, she seemed blonder and weaker and more white mousey than ever in the reflection of the snow. I absolutely despised her as the symbol of fragility in her sex—as a phantom flower without even the fiber of womanhood. Tom seemed to share my feelings in this respect at least. He barely touched the tips of her fingers, and passed on to salute ancient Prudence in the porch. Who could wonder? The girl looked like bleached celery after the spice plant he had just left!

Dinner that day was a cheerful meal. The old lady sat grimly at the head of the table, with me on her right, Tom and his cousin opposite and the White Mouse at my side. Bettie, from wild exuberance of spirits, suddenly relapsed into deep quiet that was almost sadness. Tom, seeming frantically hungry and eating doggedly, said no word. Anna Belton never talked before her aunt, so the burden of conversation devolved on me. As I have said, the ancient unwedded was very deaf, and, like many deaf people, she had the special gift of yelling especially loud when she desired to be most confidential. Less for her convenience than to feed my new born grudge, I enunciated most emphatically all I said to her, but at the guilty couple opposite.

I spoke most feelingly on the sin of deceiving doting parents—philosophically of the folly of impecunious marriages. This was a stirrup, and using it at once, the old lady mounted her hobby with agility surprising for her years, and jogged along till dessert. In common with every very crabbed spinster I ever met, she believed herself especially au fait in the delicate intricacies of the married state. Had her three score years and ten been passed with a succession of inhuman but rapidly removed husbands she could not have reposed more implicit confidence in her perfect knowledge of double infelicity. And however she might wander from it, she invariably came back to money as the sole pivot around which all happiness in married life revolved.

"Frightful indeed would it be," was the peroration of her long lecture, "if young girls were permitted to choose for themselves without consulting the wisdom of their elders. What is the use of our experience, our sufferings, our martyrdom, if we may not point out to our children the true path to happiness?"

"What, indeed?" I assented in strident voice, and then I added as a spur. "Ah, how many a poor girl carves out for herself a miserable future by an inconsiderate choice and a hasty plunge into the dark gulf of married life!"

I looked full at Miss Blythe, who never colored at my words, nor even raised her eyes from the pudding on her plate. As for Tom he ate his in great, absent spoonfuls, and seemed to have joined Mrs. Jellyby in one of her rambles to Africa. But my shot was not wasted. It scattered, and one slug hit the spinster. "Dark gulf" was good, and she bridled up in unmated pride as she answered:

"How many, indeed! But I rejoice to believe that some husbands are so well regulated as to have the will of their head both for their law and their delight." Here the old party raised her voice to the confidential pitch, somewhere at A above the line. "My own experience is a proof of my belief, for next month my niece will"——

Miss Belton turned scarlet, only to grow more white and limp than ever. I understood then that her engagement must have been arranged and affairs hastened since her return; but the allusion seemed peculiarly painful to her.

"Aunty! aunty!" she cried, rising, "shall we not order coffee in the parlor?"

As we rose from the table the old lady took my arm and led me to the post of honor, the corner of her special sofa beside the great fireplace. The others grouped about the room, with the defiant purpose to be agreeable, but it was not written that the talk that night was to be pleasant to them. The aunt would give me, at her highest confidence pitch, the details of her strategy to surround Goldwin, the enemy, and of her campaign to crush incipient mutiny in the White Mouse contingent. That castigated branch would wince at each fresh sentence, while the conscious couple from Piketon quietly stole glances at each other and weakly strove to turn the right of our position. But I had taken a lesson from the team I had driven into the snow bank that day. When the old lady's slackening pace gave symptoms of flagging, not the gray himself could have pulled more furiously forward than I; when she gave faint evidence of a bolt from the road, not sorrel Jalap could have pulled more sullenly backward. I felt vicious in that atmosphere of deception, as the beasts had in the cold air, and reveling in a rhapsody of spite I felt it delicious to launch out stinging little sarcasms as they had their heads.

Coffee over, I became what would have been unendurable, only Tom and his lady love seemed strangely unconscious of the force of what I said. When I was rather more spiteful than usual, my tone rather than the words made them look wonderingly at me with what I could not but feel a most criminal assumption of innocence. Finally the hypocritical couple strolled to a portfolio of rare engravings; the White Mouse retreated behind the piano top and played—very well, too—some of Mendelssohn's dreamy, moonlight-on-the-snow music. Still the grandaunt droned her monotone about marriages, gave me minute narratives of all her family's in the past, and, when my jealous spite was rapidly yielding to sleepiness, came back to her pet theme of the White Mouse. I had gone through all the variations of the fact that she, yielding to the ancient's will, had become contracted in formal engagement to the man of twenty thousand a year, but now I heard for the first time that the marriage was to take place the week after Christmas!

"And there is a serious reason, my dear sir, to outweigh all sentimental nonsense in Anna's case. As you say, sir, so justly, there can be no happiness without an income—none, sir!" The old one laid her hand upon my arm; she was becoming so confidential she absolutely yelled, "What becomes of love and sentiment and all that trash, I should like to know, when bakers' and butchers' bills begin to come in?"

"You are right, madam—a thousand times right!" I grew fervid; I glanced at Jones. The engravings had ceased to turn over now; his eyes were fixed full upon his cousin's, and his lips moved, but inaudibly to me. His gesture, though, was strong and impassioned, and even as I looked those faces came very close together. At the moment his was turned from me, but hers assumed deep earnestness, the eyes filled and gazed beseechingly into his; then his hand pressed a moment the rose tipped one that rested on the pictures.

God forgive me the bitterness that crept into my heart then; but it were hard to suffer more than I did at that glance. When I spoke my voice sounded, through the dead silence of the room, harsh and grating even to my own ears.

"Yes, it is more than madness, it is crime for any man to drag a woman down to divide less than one could starve upon with decency."

Tom had not one penny beyond his pay, and that stipend from the fostering government he was permitted to fight, bleed and die for amounted to nearly seventy dollars per month. I did not stop at the moment to consider that my income from legal pursuits at the bar of Piketon was an average of some sixty-five dollars less than his. But why should I? I could never have plead to the indictment as to any old man's daughter, as he and Othello might. But my shaft fell harmless. He did not even hear me, and perdition! the fellow hand to the one he pressed came to the front and rested on top of his.

Meanwhile the ancient gal by me grew more and more concentrated from my sympathy, and of course more and more hopeless in her effort to whisper.

"It is a priceless treasure," she screamed, "to have a child like mine—a little self willed sometimes, perhaps, but combining affection with prudence in a remarkable degree. She will be a picture of perfect happiness after her marriage with Mr. Goldwin"—the Moonlight Sonata stealing from behind the piano top was cut short in mid bar—"but I fear, I fear"—the eyes of the old Argus peered over her specs in the direction from which I could not draw mine—"my old friend Blythe is very imprudent, very, indeed. Those cousins, sir, are too much together."

They heard this time. Dame Eleanor Spearing would have heard.

Tom looked up. His face wore that expression of mixed feeling and anxiety his broken conference had left; but yet the eyes that shot a glance at mine were full of arch amusement. As I dropped my gaze and crimsoned to my ear tips they again sought his cousin's. That oval face was demure even to primness. Its expression never changed as Tom muttered something of which I only caught "deaf as a beetle," and "expect her to be blind as a bat!" The expression never changed, but the black eyes glittered and danced in that madness of merriment I had never seen in those of any one else.

"Anna, dear," she said, moving quietly to the piano, "it is very late, and we are keeping aunty up."

Then, as it were, she extracted the blonde from behind the instrument and moved toward us as we stood around the fire. We all said good night, but apparently in very different mood, and certainly in very different manner. Tom was peculiarly demure, but there was an odd twinkle in his eye as he wished the spinster pleasant dreams. I felt an awkward consciousness that I had not acted too handsomely, and Bettie Blythe, with what I considered palpable effrontery, offered me her hand. Had I been the ice fiend, she would have frozen at the touch of my fingers; but she only smiled and kissed the Ancient. Finally, the White Mouse clung about the withered neck of her relative—who remained in blissful ignorance of having taken the whole party into her confidence—with what appeared to me most unnecessary fervor.

CHAPTER IV.

ODD CONFIDENCES.

I pressed my forehead close against the diamond pane of the old fashioned chamber allotted to Tom and myself, and tried hard to think. But cold as the glass was my brow grew hotter and hotter; my brain refused to grasp but one idea, that I had been betrayed, that I was miserable!

As I had turned at the landing of the broad stairway, bed candle in hand, I had looked back. The White Mouse had passed through the dim lit hall with a quiet good night to Tom; he had lingered; Bettie had returned, whispered two words so gently I could not distinguish their purport; he took her hand, and, distraction! her head dropped on his shoulder!

I heard his whisper as though Stentor, the herald, had shouted the words:

"And will you never doubt me, dear cat Bet?"

The eyes she raised to his were full of tears—no merriment in them now—but the voice was firm and had a loyal ring that said:

"You may trust me, dear Tom."

She was gone! But not before his lips were pressed to her brow; not before the sharp edged certainty had severed from me my last shred of hope.

When Tom Jones entered our chamber he was whistling!

Great heavens! was she to link her fate with such a wretch? a hard unsentimental animal? a thing who could receive a boon the gods might envy, and then—whistle? Was she to confide her future to a felon, who had forged a false key of friendship, had entered his uncle's sacred places, stolen his greatest treasure, and then—whistled?

I turned wrathfully. Reproof and the frost from the window pane were on my brow. Murder was in my soul.

"Tom Jones," I said, with that dignity for which I am noted under trial, "Tom Jones, there are times when silence becomes—in fact, when silence cannot"——

"Come in!" cried Tom cheerily; not in reply to me, however, but to a low tap at the door.

There was a mysterious pause, then a narrow chink opened, a shock head was inserted, a lank body followed it and Bosley, the groom, entered the room.

The man of currycombs wore a loose frock and a somewhat frightened aspect, but there was also an air of business and a strong odor of the stables about him as he closed the door after a wary backward glance through the hall.

"Yer wanted to see me, leftenant?" was his salutation as he fumbled in the pockets of his frock.

I looked from Tom Jones to the hostler in speechless rage. Would he never cease to deteriorate in my eyes? Was it not enough he had whistled after winning the love that would have glorified my life? But now he must leave that ravishing creature and consort with a musty stable boy, to talk horse—perhaps of terriers and rats. I could trust myself no longer. The spirit of Cain seemed descending upon me, and I rushed from the room and down the steps.

I found myself in the parlor.

"He whom I love"—and the girl fixed her eyes full upon mine.

The lights were out, but the fire still blazed up brightly in the ample grate. By its light I saw the misty outline of a white figure thrown full length upon the sofa. From the wavy outlines and the soft fleecy effect of the subdued light it might have been an Undine, or some unsubstantial sprite.

I looked closely; it was only the White Mouse. Her face was buried in the cushion she clasped in her arms, and the fragile figure was swaying and racked with heavy sobs. The wavy masses of fair hair had fallen loose upon her shoulders, and the sleeve, carelessly drawn back, displayed an arm that matched Bettie Blythe's for roundness and symmetry.

As the fitful firelight rose and fell, seeming to dilate and contract the contours of the delicate figure, I wondered why I never had noticed before how graceful and willowy it was.

She did not hear my abrupt entrance. Her sorrow had full possession of her, and she sobbed as if her heart would break. What the matter was I knew not. It might have been a tiff with the Ancient Griffin, the death of a pet poodle or the trouble about her auriferous affianced.

At all events, she had my perfect sympathy. She was miserable, and was not I likewise? Poor child! Every sob went straight to my heart; I really never before believed I could feel so kindly disposed toward her. But I felt my presence was an intrusion; I thought she did not see me, and I started out. Just then a heavier sob than ever seemed to rend the poor child, and a shiver ran through her from head to foot.

It was too much; the softness of my heart conquered. I could not go without one word to tell her how I pitied her grief.

In the tenderest manner I took her hand; in the gentlest tone I said: "Do not be unhappy; do not weep so."

She started up with a stifled cry. On seeing me a vivid flush passed over her brow and neck, and she quickly withdrew her hand. Then the color fell out of her cheeks, leaving them deadlier white than ever, and she dropped her face into her hands as she murmured:

"Oh, you here! You to see me!"

I didn't understand the emphasis on the pronoun, but I only answered:

"Do not send me away before I tell you it was accident brought me here and sympathy detained me. You seem very miserable."

She glanced shyly at me from under the swollen lids.

"I was a little while ago. But I don't feel so now," she whispered.

The deuce! Here was an odd return for my sympathetic interference. I rather liked it, however, for I seemed to do the poor child good, and I felt so wretched and alone in the world.

"But, oh! what must you think of me?" she cried suddenly, and again the face went into the hands and again the blushes mounted up to the eartips.

"I think—I—that is—I am very, very sorry to see you suffer," I answered, somewhat inconsequently.

"But to think you of all people— But you will never tell him?"

Why I, "of all people," I couldn't conceive; but it was very safe to promise about "him," as I had never set eyes on the grief producing Goldwin. Therefore I answered honestly:

"On my word, never!"

"But then you know all! Oh, how forward, how unmaidenly, how bold you must think me!"

What in the deuce the girl meant why I should think her bold for not wanting to marry her grandfather I could not conceive. So I only shook my head sagely. In medio tutissimus ibis.

"But then this never has seemed like home," she went on. "Auntie tries to be very good, but she doesn't know how. And then a young girl may have strong feelings, and oh, I do love so utterly!"

"Wh-at!" I gasped, surprised out of propriety. "The devil you do!" It was very improper; but then to think of her being sold to a man of 60, and then "loving so utterly!" Wonderful creatures are women. My abruptness made her recoil, but it was only for a moment.

"Then you won't think me immodest—unwomanly? I could not bear it. You, of all people in the world!"

There it was again. Why in the deuce did she care for my opinion so much if she loved Goldwin "so utterly?"

"Unwomanly! never!" I said vaguely.

"Oh, thank you! thank you!" She was beginning to get excited again. "I felt you would understand; you have seen more of me than any one else; you can make allowance for a young girl's feelings overstepping the bounds of prudishness."

I rose and walked to the mantel. I began to believe that the stone sphinx that upheld it had turned suddenly soft and blonde and crept into the form of the White Mouse. She was surely talking in riddles of the deepest.

"Tell me once more," she said, following me to the hearth, "that I lose nothing in your eyes by—by what you know."

"Under any circumstances," I began, warily, "real, deep love"——

"Oh, and how I do love! God knows how deep and pure is the passion that makes me forget all bonds and almost all proprieties! What else could excuse my being able to speak of it now—to you? You know I am pledged unwillingly to another"——

"To what!" I almost shrieked.

"To Mr. Goldwin, whom I—yes, whom I hate!" the girl answered, with ten times the spirit I thought in her.

"And you don't—it isn't—you don't mean it's Goldwin you care for?" I stammered in confusion.

"Goldwin! Oh, how can you jest with me at such a moment? You know whom I—you have long guessed even before I confessed my love for—for—another!"

Again the purple flood dyed her brow and neck, and then died quickly out. I felt deuced queer. Here was I alone at midnight with a timid White Mouse, who had suddenly asserted herself, and told me she did not love the man she was engaged to, and "did so" love somebody else. There was nobody else except Tom Jones, now talking terrier with the groom up stairs, and—myself! Great heavens! could the girl mean me? No, nonsense! I must be mistaken. I smiled a sickly smile to reassure myself. Then I said, "I don't—that is, you know—I—could not—you would not suspect me of jesting about a—um—your sacred feelings." She seized my hand impulsively and pressed it.

"They are sacred!" she cried—"sacred as the first worship of a pure girl's heart must ever be. Oh, you know, you must feel how strong and all absorbing is the passion that can change me into a self asserting woman! that can make me defy prejudice and custom, as you see I do, when I say that I will give up home and friends—that I will face all the world and tell them boldly, as I now do you, that from the bottom of my heart I love!"

She dropped her face into her hands as she spoke the last word, but all the rest she had said with her eye fixed unswervingly upon mine and looking down into my very soul. I am considered by most of my friends to be rather a modest man. On this particular occasion I must confess that I was rather taken aback and became rather misty in the mind. But there could be no doubt as to what the girl meant. Driven to desperation by her forced engagement, feeling the unbearable grasp of a hated fate tightening on her, she was—yes, there was no room for doubt—she was making love to me!

For a second the base idea crept into my mind, Revenge! Bettie Blythe, the jilt, the shameless flirt, cannot triumph over me if I marry the heiress of "Shadynook" instead of the poor lawyer's daughter! For a second I was on the eve of clasping the White Mouse in my arms, and blackening my soul with the perjury that I adored her—that I never had loved but her!

Thank heaven! it was only for a second, when the unnatural, the frightful want of modesty stood naked in my sight. Much as I had despised the girl before, I actually loathed her now. But to tell her so? There was the rub. I appeal to any young lawyer who has had an heiress make love to him at midnight if it isn't a little awkward to refuse her?

"Miss Belton," I said at last, looking into the fire, "I make every allowance for your trial—for your unusual excitement that has driven you to say things to me you may wish unsaid to-morrow"——

"To-morrow I shall glory in them even more than now!"

"To-morrow you may regret," I continued, heedless of the interruption, "that you said them to me."

"You are the sole man on earth to whom I would ever dream of speaking so!" she broke in hastily; "to no one else could I be so immodest as to—to"——

Here she melted into a perfect cataract of tears. I don't like tears. They wash all the manhood out of me; they dissolve me as if I were beet root sugar. I began at once to regret the accident that had made the young woman care for me; and, to try and be a little more gentle, I put myself through a strict cross-examination as to whether I had ever given her any cause to believe I cared for her, any encouragement, any reason. But a hastily impaneled jury of conscience, habit and memory acquitted me nem. con.

Then, panoplied in the triple consciousness of right, I turned once more upon the young woman before me.

"Miss Belton," I said, with an arctic frigidity in my tone, "you will permit me to say that I am astonished and"——

"Astonished! You!"

The invariable recurrence of that pronoun and the dreadful emphasis upon it were beginning to wear my patience out. I continued rather hastily;

"Astonished, surely; and I may say pained at the—a—the confession of what I cannot but consider a passing—a—caprice."

The White Mouse flashed round at me. She seemed to expand and dilate in the flickering light, and her lips were compressed till they seemed very white in the reflection.

"May I remind you such a suspicion is injurious to my modesty?" she said, coldly; "but I know in my heart I will prove to you by my whole future that my love is a part of my being—will end only with my life!"

Did ever a modest man meet such persistence? I could not strike that girl and crush her where she stood. Oh how I longed for a man in her place! for had he been the Benicia Boy I should have pounded him then and there. Morally certain that the white haired young creature was dying of love for me, half persuaded that she was going to marry me then and there by force, what could I say? I stared blankly at her, while a smile of wonderful sweetness stole round her lips, as she murmured, half to herself:

"Let the world say what it will; love like mine purifies all. We will be very, very happy."

Tender of heart, I began to pity the young woman. Laboring under a terrible hallucination about the future as she was, there was still something almost sublime in the faith she held in the power of her love. Its spell began to work on me. Rapidly I ran over my chances for the future if I fell into her views. I almost began to waver, though half unconsciously, as I said:

"You would be sacrificing everything. Mr. Goldwin's fortune is immense, and"——

"Goldwin's fortune! I had rather love another with the coat upon his back unpaid for than that creature in an emperor's robes."

By Venus! she seemed in earnest. There was that in her eye I could not disbelieve. But how in the world did she know that my coat was not paid for? That it was a fact did not make it a subject to dwell on; and then it was so deucedly unsentimental! Still the girl's sincerity and evident truth so touched me that it was very meekly I returned to the charge, and then I only set up objections for her to knock down.

"But in throwing over Goldwin," I said, more gently, "you do not reflect how you risk your own fortune"——

"My own fortune! Oh, you have never loved as I do, or you would see that could not weigh one grain of sand. My fortune! Can you think me selfish, base enough, to set that trash for one moment against one single look, one single word, of love?"

Now that was no doubt very noble, very heroic, but then it was also decidedly indiscreet. It might have done on the stage, but hardly here. I had not a dollar, as she well knew; and yet this inscrutable young female could not only make love to me off hand, but could talk of her fortune whistled down the wind as if it were not ten cents in stamps.

"But there is no danger of that," she added, carelessly, "for my aunt could not be angry with me a week. She would forget her disappointment—we should both be equally dear to her."

Here was balm in Gilead; for the ancient Griffin, besides the Grove estate, was reputed "very warm." I looked thoughtfully into the fire, and the words fell upon my shocked modesty and sage wonderment [illegible] road [illegible]—back [illegible] Erie—heaven [illegible] passed in rapid [illegible] eyes and the glowing [illegible] a half relenting in my [illegible]

"Are you very sure of [illegible]

"Very sure. But what of [illegible] whom I love"—and the girl [illegible] eyes full upon mine with [illegible] nor a tremor—"he whom I [illegible] value it all as trash."

The deuce he would! [illegible] knew myself. But the [illegible] given was sufficient, and I [illegible] daylight. I [illegible] ten minutes I had forgotten the [illegible] istence of Bettie Blythe. I had [illegible] remembered the little shock to [illegible] at finding out her duplicity [illegible] even my ire at Tom Jones [illegible] was doing a little sum in [illegible] metic, in which the White [illegible] the exponent of an unknown [illegible] farm, manor house and [illegible]

But I could not [illegible] speak at least part of the [illegible] was leaning now upon the [illegible] pale forehead resting upon [illegible] hand and her left hanging [illegible] her side. I took [illegible] own, not without a twinge of [illegible]

"You and I have long been [illegible] said. "We are sympathetic, [illegible] enough you to speak freely [illegible] things."

She withdrew her hand very [illegible]

"Why not?" she asked.

"Because it may be—that is— [illegible] horribly embarrassing to [illegible] you very sure that you love— [illegible] know your own mind?"

"As sure as that I live!" She [illegible] earnestly and absently, but [illegible] straight into the fire and not at me.

"And you do—you think—that is [illegible] have—in your own mind you have [illegible] to trust that"——

"Had I not a certainty beyond [illegible] beyond reason," she broke in—"I [illegible] been false to my sex to speak to [illegible] you."

Wonderful power of love! [illegible] confidence of passion!

But where in the deuce had I ever [illegible] her one reason to believe I cared [illegible] Once more the triple jury held a [illegible] session over me; once more I was [illegible] umphantly acquitted.

"Anna," I said—very gently [illegible] "perhaps your aunt would not [illegible] Would you be willing to sacrifice [illegible] thing, to endure poverty even, for [illegible] sake of your love?" The girl only [illegible] at me for answer, but that strange [illegible] flickered once more around her [illegible] "And suppose you do another [illegible] justice—suppose your loss of [illegible] should change feelings you now [illegible] here"——

"Never!" she said. "My love is [illegible] secure for that."

"And would it override all [illegible] Would it forgive a recent rivalry and the love that is even now scarcely [illegible] from the heart you would make [illegible] own?"

Anna Belton, the White Mouse, [illegible] short upon me. Something in my [illegible] transfigured her. She was a very [illegible] thoness, and her eyes flashed fire as [illegible] drew her slender height up before me.

"Silence, sir!" she cried. "Perhaps I am rightly punished for forgetting I was still a maiden who should not speak [illegible] When you spoke of money, you merely injured me. To intimate the possibility of a rival is insult! After all I have said to you, after all you know, it is [illegible] insult, which I will not listen to."

And the young person swept out of the room, utterly ignoring the hand [illegible] stretched out to detain her.

I looked stupidly into the fire.

And even as I gazed the face that rose before me was not Anna's, but Bettie Blythe's.

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SMETHPORT, PA., DEC. [illegible]

The [illegible] County Bank at [illegible], Pa., owned principally by [illegible] W. Wallace, closed its doors on Tuesday last. It is said that the depositors are fully protected. [illegible] the Dela[illegible] bank a month or two weeks ago [illegible] Wallace was generally considered a wealthy man.

[illegible] that the Penn[illegible] Railroad is a large concern [illegible] figures. [illegible] would make a train [illegible] long. There are 2,[illegible] passenger, [illegible] cars, and 107 [illegible] cars of all descriptions [illegible] men and women [illegible] and there [illegible] horses and engines.

Sitting Bull, the great Indian [illegible] of the Sioux Nation, was killed on Monday last near Standing Rock Agency, [illegible] Dakota. He had been arrested by Indian police accompanied by [illegible] when his followers [illegible] him. [illegible] were killed together with seven [illegible] Indian police [illegible] Sitting Bull was [illegible] and was one of the [illegible].

[illegible] from the [illegible] congratulate [illegible] the Democratic [illegible] speech at the opening of Parliament [illegible] brought to us through [illegible]

We are happy to know that [illegible] victory [illegible] on the other [illegible]

The Democratic party has [illegible] with the English people [illegible] and Salisbury and the [illegible] the [illegible] facing [illegible] in effigy [illegible]

[illegible] the Lodge bill [illegible] full of [illegible] for in the [illegible] ballot is not permitted [illegible] Republican vote [illegible] opposition is suppressed by [illegible] social ostracism [illegible] violence and bloodshed [illegible] they pledged [illegible] country in the [illegible] to enact laws [illegible] the ballot [illegible] of the party [illegible] should provide the legal [illegible] honest and manly [illegible]

[illegible] long been in the [illegible] of a man [illegible] Democratic ticket in [illegible] a few years ago makes the following announcement: "Don't [illegible] about the new tariff [illegible] wear just as good clothing [illegible] wear [illegible] suits. You'll [illegible] as ever. The [illegible] influence [illegible] will make will be [illegible] manufacturers will [illegible] a finer grade of woolen [illegible] place of imported ones [illegible] better employ [illegible] American labor. If some people will persist in wearing nothing but goods bearing a foreign label let [illegible] pay for it. Two-thirds of the [illegible] goods made into custom garments [illegible] foreign are domestic goods. There is [illegible] humbug in this [illegible] people are aware of. [illegible] marked up an article of goods. We [illegible] propose to [illegible]

Speaking of Mr. Elliott's determination to contest the seat of Mr [illegible] who was declared elected to Congress in the [illegible] Tioga district, the [illegible] Independent says: "[illegible] know why some 500 Democrats [illegible] voted for the Republican candidate for Congress [illegible] Mr. Elliott's prospect [illegible] Congress that he was [illegible] opponent [illegible] enough to capture several [illegible] Democratic votes, with that [illegible] Judge Mayer, at [illegible] will the contest show why [illegible] Republicans [illegible] Mr. Elliott? The [illegible] has very many warm Republican [illegible] in the county and [illegible] will not take a seat in [illegible] power.

THE [illegible] AS A TAX

The editorial [illegible] of a Democratic newspaper [illegible] was asked [illegible] about the tariff [illegible] "the tariff is a tax."

[illegible] greatly [illegible] by the [illegible] profundity of the [illegible] "I have sometimes heard [illegible] but I really [illegible] it to be so." The [illegible]

"What sugar is it," said the questioner, "[illegible] When the tariff was put on [illegible] were selling at [illegible] a pound. The tariff [illegible] was about 4 cents a pound."

That made it [illegible] cents a pound.

[illegible] selling at [illegible] cents a pound. How [illegible] tariff a tax in that case?—*Independent Journal.*

FROM THE NATION'S CAPITOL.

From our own correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec 15.—The Republican Senators had a caucus last Wednesday night, in order to shape a course of procedure on the pending Federal Elections bill. There was a strong movement in favor of the adoption of either a general or a special rule similar to the previous question in the House in effect, in order to cut off debate, but no positive action was taken. It was agreed to lengthen the working day by beginning the sessions at 10 o'clock and holding night sessions in order to exhaust the discussion with the understanding that another caucus be held later to take such action as the situation then determined. Accordingly a conference will be had to-night when decisive action will probably be taken.

The silver men are clamoring for the purchase of the 12,000,000 ounces or so said to be in sight which, they assert, will tend to restore the financial equilibrium by liberating $10,000,000 or more. This expedient has the approval of the President and the Secretary of the Treasury is willing to do even more. The silver men hint that if they secure this concession together with a provision for the purchase of silver bullion equaling in amount the National Bank circulation retired they will be satisfied with this compromise and not demand free coinage. The financial situation is absorbing the attention of everyone and it is very likely that if the debate on the Elections bill continues until late in the week that measure will have to give way to some scheme to improve the finances of the country. It is quietly whispered that the Democratic politicians of the Senate are ready to commit themselves and their party to free silver with the ulterior object of embarrassing Mr Cleveland's candidacy by side tracking his well known anti-silver policy. The result of the Republican caucus to-night will doubtless do much to clarify the prospect. There will hardly be strength enough to adopt a rule to force a vote on the Elections bill, and it is now asserted that the measure cannot pass the Senate though the chances have been in its favor so far. The Democrats insist upon having opportunity for unlimited debate and unless some check is applied there is no telling when a vote will be reached. The position taken by Senator Cameron, Quay and others from the North and West antagonistic to the bill is the only complicating element in the situation. Senator Cameron declared [illegible] the measure immediately after it passed the House last summer and his course has provoked a good deal of censure from those who hold that he [illegible] represents the state. It certainly is a matter of regret to the party at large that its representatives cannot with unanimity join in passing legislation to restrict abuses and outrages that strike at the fundamental principle of our government.

The House Committee on the Alcoholic Liquor Traffic has reported favorably a bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in the District of Columbia after Nov 1 1891. This is the farthest advance that Prohibition has ever made at the capitol and is probably an entering wedge. There is a strong movement in favor of suppressing the traffic here and since this District is the victim of all sorts of experimental legislation it is probable that the effort will in due time meet with success.

The Navy Department some time ago instituted a series of exhaustive tests to determine the relative value of the different types of armor plate for war vessels available for use. The result of the Annapolis tests established the unquestionable superiority of the nickel-steel alloy plates and investigations were immediately begun to discover whether the plates could be produced in this country. This question has just been favorably answered by the submission of some sample products of the Homestead Works of Pittsburg which are fully up to the standard furnished by the French plate hitherto used. This is very gratifying as it makes us practically independent of foreign countries in time of war and it furnishes an additional proof that under the developing influence of a protective system which diversifies industries we are capable, in this country of producing whatever the occasion demands.

For a year past there has been a good deal of discussion as to the propriety of removing the remains of General Grant from Riverside to Washington, but when the resolution came up in the House last week the New York delegation made a united attack upon it and it failed to pass.

Those who doubt the efficacy of the tariff system and are uncertain what the effect of changing to a free trade basis would be, should ponder over the example furnished by binding twine, which was reduced to a very low rate by the recent act. The first fruits of this reduction are seen in the meeting a few days ago of the thirty five cordage manufacturers of England who have entered into a combination to dictate prices and control the market, and bought out the patents of their principal American competitor leaving the American farmer still at the mercy of a worse monopoly than the Twine Trust ever was, and one which at the same time cannot be reached by any restricting legislation that [illegible] may pass.

O. S. M.

THE JUG [illegible] TARIFF

I was told how a Democratic orator came to grief in Ohio. He called for a pitcher of water. When it came he held the pitcher up before the audience and said "My fellow citizens this pitcher before the passage of the McKinley bill could have been bought for 30 cents—now you can't buy it for less than 60 cents." "Hold on," cried the man who brought it in "I've got something to say about that. That air pitcher came with a box of bakin' powder." The attempt to charge the recent rise in the wares to the McKinley bill is to quote as mendacious and absurd. The rise is ten times the increase which would be due to that bill provided it was now in effect. But it doesn't go into effect until next July. Yesterday in Chicago I heard a lot of young men howling "May corn" on the street just outside the Board of Trade building. They were selling corn now to be delivered next May at prices which it is supposed will then prevail—a sort of gambling operation. But Democratic newspapers and orators and the dealers have been engaged in the trick of selling "July tin," to be delivered now, at prices which they falsely declare will then prevail—and the success of the trick is the political phenomenon of the age."—*Joseph Nimmo in N. Y. Tribune.*

CAN'T GET ALONG WITHOUT NEW YORK.

Our usually courteous contemporary, the Atlanta *Constitution*, hasn't yet recovered from its excitement over the elections, or it wouldn't have put forth these assertions.

Since the late elections, the nation is Democratic without the Solid South. Eliminate the old slaveholding States, and the States that went Democratic last November would give a clear majority in the Electoral College. This has put an entirely new aspect on affairs, and New York is no longer the pivotal State. In this, which had about crystallized into a rule that the Democratic candidate must come from New York, is, therefore, no longer in force.

How many of the States hitherto regarded as safely Republican in Presidential years have ceased to be Republican? Rhode Island has almost become a Democratic State since the broadening of the suffrage, but it would be rash to say that Rhode Island will be Democratic in 1892. Massachusetts is not Democratic because it has elected a Democratic Governor, and the same is notoriously true of Pennsylvania.

There are Republicans enough in the Republican States that went Democratic this year to elect the Republican ticket, but half of them stayed away from the polls. The special causes that worked against the Republicans in some States will not be in the way in the national campaign. The school question will not be reopened in Wisconsin. The Michigan Republicans will not repeat the experiment of handicapping themselves with unpopular candidates. The various independent movements that have risen at the expense of the Republican party will dwindle. The Republicans do a good deal of kicking, but they do most of it in off years. The remarkable instance of organization and discipline that distinguishes the Republican party reasserts itself after a period of independence. Even the great farmers' [illegible] All [illegible] the Northwest [illegible] the Republicans should put up Mr. Blaine. Does the *Constitution* think that Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas would [illegible] for [illegible] Blaine as the Republican candidate?

We do not see that the situation has changed except in so far as the Republicans have admitted new States. The results of the elections of this year indicate very little in regard to 1892. What has been [illegible] likely to be Republican still.

The gentlemen who are taking liberties with the facts [illegible] the [illegible] and the [illegible] of the [illegible] by him [illegible] the Electoral College [illegible] forget that in 1892 is not the same year as 1890. [illegible] November [illegible] New York [illegible]

It would be a brilliant piece of [illegible] New York [illegible] the Republican [illegible]

A MONUMENT TO MEADE.

The Philadelphia [illegible] the [illegible] proposed [illegible] statue to Meade and [illegible] especially should this [illegible] project commend itself to the approval of Pennsylvanians. The visitors to that historic field always notes with wonder that amid the many monuments there [illegible] in honor of the memory of the noble commander [illegible] with the story of that [illegible] great contest. The design proposed seems to [illegible] generally fitting character. [illegible] imposing than anything else at Gettysburg. [illegible] the thrilling [illegible] is to be erected [illegible] the great majority while the others are getting [illegible]. Pennsylvania should take a lively hand in the direction of this patriotic scheme and the coming legislature should act with promptness and patriotic liberality. The three leading generals of the Gettysburg memorable fight were Pennsylvanians and they sleep within our soil. Generals Meade, Hancock and Reynolds. The second was wounded almost unto death in holding a vantage ground on the first day's fight and the third fell before the contest fairly began. History will be true to their bravery and talents but the present should honor their memories. The love of friends has marked the [illegible] resting place, but the battle field with which their names are inseparably connected should have the nation's monument to fitly mark this Mecca of the war and indicate the enduring nobility and greatness of their fame. Governments and republics are slow but in this matter of a monument to Meade and his generals tardiness has long ceased to be a virtue.

The Columbia Cycle Calendar

By far the most valuable business calendar for 1891 and entirely unique in design is the Columbia Cycle Calendar and Stand issued by the Pope Mfg. Co. of Boston Mass. The Calendar is in the form of a pad containing 366 leaves each 5 1/2 x 2 1/2 inches, one for each day of the year to be torn off daily and one for the entire year. At the lower end of each leaf is a blank for memoranda and as the leaves are only fastened at the upper end any leaf can be exposed. No stub is left when the leaves are torn off. The pad rests upon a stand, containing pen rack and pencil holder, and when placed upon the desk the entire surface of the date leaf is brought directly and kept constantly before the eye making it impossible to overlook date or memoranda. The stand is made of stained wood, mounted with raised letters in brass, thus forming an ornamental paper weight. The day of the week and day of year, together with the number of days to come are given and each slip bears a short paragraph pertaining to cycling and kindred subjects. These paragraphs have been carefully collated from leading publications and prominent writers, the larger number having been specially written for this purpose. Altogether this is the sixth issue of the Calendar, all the matter is fresh and new, comprising notable events in cycling, opinions of physicians and clergymen, hints about road making, and numerous other topics, the whole being enough to make a fair sized volume when printed in book type.

ONLY a few years ago the United States purchased form Russia the Territory of Alaska for the sum of seven million dollars. The universal Yankee at once took possession and out of a supposed sterile region his exports during the last year of whalebone, whale oil, codfish, salmon, gold and fur seal made a sum total of $9,640,730.

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THE LARGEST FARM IN THE WORLD.

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At that time it was a vast grazing tract for the cattle of the few dealers of the neighborhood, over 30,000 head of half wild horses and cattle being thereon. Now this immense tract is divided into convenient pasture stations, or ranches, existing every six miles. The fencing alone cost in the neighborhood of $50,000. The land is best adapted for rice, sugar corn and cotton. All cultivating, ditching, &c. is done by steam power. A tract, say half a mile wide, is taken and an engine is placed on each side. The engines are portable, and operate a cable attached to four plows and under this arrangement thirty acres a day are gone over with only the labor of three men. Harrowing, planting and other cultivation is done in a like manner. There is not a single draught horse on the entire place.

Of course horses are used for the herders of cattle, of which there are 16,000 head. The Southern Pacific Railway runs for thirty six miles through the farm. The company have three steamboats operating on the waters of their estates, of which there are 300 miles navigable. They have also an ice house, a bank, a ship yard and a rice mill.—*[illegible]*

LITERARY NOTES.

A NEW novel by Charles Egbert Craddock entitled "In the Stranger People's Country" will be begun in *Harper's Magazine* for January. Two illustrations (including the frontispiece to the Number) drawn by W. T. Smedley, will accompany the first instalment of the story.

PARNELL.

No political leader in English history says *Harper's Weekly* not Walpole, nor Chatham, nor Pitt, nor Fox, nor Peel, nor Gladstone—has held such absolute sway over his party as Parnell and no leader was ever more cold, indifferent or cynically disdainful even of his own following. Ireland has furnished other famous chiefs—Swift, Flood, Grattan, O'Connell—for whom the popular enthusiasm has been wrought at times to passionate fervor, but no Irish leader, although without eloquence or flattery or deference and with such superb scorn of the opinion of others, has exercised so great a supremacy or brought the cause of Ireland so near its happy issue. The secret of his power lies in the ability with which he has made home rule for Ireland the central question of British politics, by winning the support of the great popular party in England with its illustrious chief, the greatest English party leader of modern times. To this result doubtless, the time and circumstance have combined, but that does not discredit the ability which has comprehended both and turned them to the service of a cause.

THE CENTURY magazine is running a fast press day and night in order to print the first instalment of the delayed Talleyrand Memoirs in the January number. This same magazine was the first to print before its appearance in France the life and literary remains of the great French artist Jean François Millet and now The Century is to bring to light, before they appear in any other country, the long hidden memoirs of the most famous of French diplomatists. This first article will be preceded by what is said to be a brilliant pen portrait of Talleyrand, by Minister Whitelaw Reid, who has made the selections from the most interesting chapters of the first volume.

The first instalment of selections from "The Memoirs of Talleyrand," which is to appear in the January Century, will contain a sketch of the author's strange and lonely childhood, an account of his entry into Parisian society, his estimate of La Fayette, some account of the beginnings of the French Revolution, a striking passage concerning the Duke of Orleans, an account of Talleyrand's residence in England and America, and of a most interesting conversation between Talleyrand and Hamilton on subjects of Free Trade and Protection.

"GO SNOWSHOEING?" Yes my dear madame why not provided the heavens be propitious and furnish the snow and there is every prospect of plenty this winter. Snowshoeing is as easy as sliding down hill—after you know how and you will know how and how to form a club and what to wear and all about it after reading the breezy article on "Snow-shoeing" in DEMOREST'S FAMILY MAGAZINE for January and if you don't become enthusiastic about the subject we are mistaken. Or if your tastes are artistic rather than athletic, you will be delighted with the excellent paper on "Modeling for Sculpture," with its numerous and beautiful illustrations including a superb full page portrait of the eminent American sculptor Hartley, and if you have never modeled in clay the suggestions for amateurs and beginners will be of great assistance. "Sage Maidens of Cornell University" is another handsomely illustrated article written by one of them telling of some of the trials and many of the pleasures of the life of a co-ed at that noted seat of learning; the illustrated Chinese story is particularly interesting, the other stories are all good. "The Sanitarian" has seasonable articles about the "Effects of Cold" and how to take sitz, foot, and other baths for medicinal purposes. "Chat" and "The World's Progress" are especially attractive, and all the other departments are brimful of good things. Indeed, for beauty, variety, and completeness, DEMOREST'S FAMILY MAGAZINE must be awarded the palm of superiority as the Family Magazine, and should be in every household. Published by W. JENNINGS DEMOREST, 15 East 14th Street, New York.

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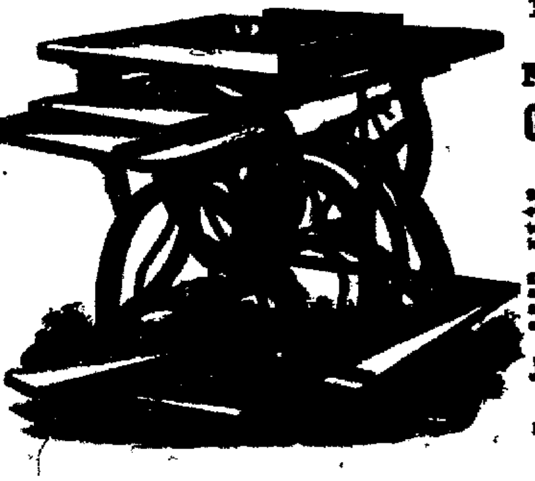

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The McKean County Miner

Smethport, Pa., Dec. 18, 1890.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce the name of [illegible] W. Brennan, of Keating township, as a candidate for Supervisor, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

Christmas next Thursday.

Sleighing still continues good.

Mason's advertisement changes this week.

Tioga county's poor house has ninety inmates.

We are fast approaching the gayest season of the year.

Ten-cent dances are growing in favor in Smethport.

The holiday trade promises to be very large this year.

See N. S. Woodbury's new advertisement in another column.

The prospects of a good ice crop this year are very promising.

Sunday next, the 21st inst., will be the shortest day in the year.

—December is favoring us with some old fashioned winter weather.

—If you are looking for holiday goods call at M. L. Armstrong's and see.

A mania for wearing eye glasses has seized the young people of Smethport.

—It has been ascertained that ballot reform in Buffalo cost one dollar per vote.

It is said Wellsboro has four candidates for clerkships in the next legislature.

—A Williamsport clothier has been fined $40 for carrying on one of the popular clothing clubs.

Smethport is to have another fair. It is not a fair fair—faith and fair play.—*Duke Centre* [illegible].

—One half of the world doesn't know how the other half lives, but it tries mighty hard to find out.

A meeting is to be held in Bradford next month for the purpose of forming a Lumbermens Exchange.

Mason will make special low prices on all wall and china dinner and tea sets this week and until Xmas.

Steady employment, on salary, is offered in another column, by [illegible] & Co., [illegible] N. Y.

Lent comes early next year, commencing with Ash Wednesday, Feb. 11th. Easter Sunday comes on March 29th.

A grand minstrel is in active preparation for New Year's night, in which Smethport's best talent will take part.

[illegible], [illegible] county, had a $25,000 blaze last week Monday. The three principal business blocks of the town were destroyed.

An elegant place, and an elegant stock of fine cups and saucers. To make your selections for Xmas presents call at Mason's.

We are informed that the amount realized by the ladies who had charge of the booth at the band boys fair last week aggregated $101.80.

Professor Koch, the great bacteriologist, is said to have discovered a treatment for establishing immunity from diphtheria and lockjaw.

—A Sullivan county boy and a New York man have just died from epilepsy caused by cigarette smoking. They are little, but they get there.

—Some one with a fondness for statistics [illegible] 475 hogsheads of liquids during the course of his lifetime.

—From $1,100 shares in the [illegible] Factory Company have dropped to $400. Apparently that is one industry which the Republican party did not protect.

—An exchange offers ten dollars to the widow or the wife, who has had two husbands or more, who writes the best essay on "How to Manage a Husband."

—The band boys fair and dance closed on Saturday night. While a handsome sum was realized, it fell far short of expectations. Socially it was a big success.

—It is said by an eminent physician that no child under twelve should be permitted to study outside the school room, even one half hour out of the twenty-four.

—In the report of the graded school, published last week, the name of Kay Young was inadvertently omitted and Lola Young's name should have appeared with a star.

—The amount paid for sheep killed by dogs in Crawford county during the 11 months of 1890 ending Nov. 30, was $1,166.75. In November alone the amount paid was $796.

The young man who wastes his nights in drinking, in dancing, in card-playing, in anything that draws upon the nerve forces and robs him of recuperative sleep, is worth less and less all through the day.

—Our schools close to-day for the holiday vacation. A Christmas tree, together with songs, recitations etc., will be among the interesting closing exercises. The schools will be re-opened on Monday, January 5th.

Charles Hall, fireman on the B. B. & K. R. R., while taking water at the tank in this borough, the chain broke letting the spout fall. Hall jumped to escape but the spout caught his hand, badly bruising it.

—An old bachelor says that giving the ballot to women would not amount to anything practically, because they would keep denying they were old enough to vote until they got to be too old to take any interest in politics.

—The residence of J. C. Stull at Farmers Valley was destroyed by fire on Wednesday last, while the family were attending the funeral of Ruth Young. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss is nearly covered by insurance.

—There will be Christmas exercises at the M. E. Church on Wednesday evening next as on former occasions. All friends and members of the congregation who desire will be welcome to use the tree for the distribution of family presents.

—Don't fail to read the new advertisement of Mrs. T. D. Nash, in this issue. If you are looking for holiday goods, it will interest you. She is prepared to show a large and fine selection of just such goods as everybody wants at this season.

—Henry Brandt met with rather a peculiar accident on Friday last while working in the [illegible] quarry. He was raising a large stone which slipped and in its fall struck the end of a crow bar, lying near, which flew up striking him on the chin and inflicting a painful wound.

—Sunday next will be the seventieth anniversary of the organization of the Baptist church in the Norwich and Smethport, and appropriate services will be held in the morning of that day. In the evening the third in the course of illustrated sermons will be given.

—The Philadelphia *Record* Almanac for 1891 is a splendid number of this always valuable annual. It is filled with statistics of every importance to those who desire to keep posted in the world's doings.

—A new disease has made its appearance in epidemic form. It somewhat resembles la grippe, the victims being seized with violent headache, backache and pains in all the bones and joints. Our physicians say there are a number of cases in this neighborhood.

—A letter was dropped into the post office at this place on Monday last addressed "To Santa Claus," in which the little ones informed "Old Chris Cringle" what they "want for Christmas." We hope the little folks may receive all they ask, and more, and we think they will.

—Buy your holiday goods this week. The early customer has the advantage of a full assortment from which to select. Our merchants have unusually fine stocks which are now ready for inspection. Scan the advertising columns of the MINER for pointers on where to look for Christmas presents.

—The latest fad of the society girl is a friendship cane. It is hung in the parlor and is ornamented with half yard strips of ribbon of various colors, each piece contributed by a friend. The girl who practices this fad is under obligations to remember the particular piece of ribbon contributed by each friend.

—The regular meeting of the E. A. U. occurring on Christmas eve, it has been decided to hold the next meeting on Monday evening, Dec. 22d, at which time the election of officers will take place. A full attendance of the members is desired. The meeting will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall at 7:30 sharp.

—The Potter county jail contains ten prisoners. Four are serving time for violation of the liquor law, one serving time for adultery, one serving time for attempt at rape, three awaiting trial for larceny, and one awaiting trial for adultery. Rather a poor showing for a strictly moral community, such as Potter county is claimed to be.

—The following is recommended by a physician for use in cases of either diphtheria or scarlet fever: Ten grains sulpho-carbolate soda dissolved in a tumbler half full of water. Take a half to a full teaspoonful every hour until the parasite is destroyed, then use in two or three hours according to the circumstances of the case. It will prevent both diseases if given before an attack.

—The Christmas exercises at the Baptist church will be held on Christmas eve and will be of an interesting character. At 6 o'clock supper will be served to the school children by the ladies of the congregation. At 7 the Christmas concert will be given by members of the school, after which the tree will unburden itself. The parents of the children and friends of the school are requested to be present.

—A Silver Lake girl lately took a head of cabbage from the cellar and proceeded to cut it up for cold slaw. She had hardly touched it with the knife until it exploded with a loud report and the pieces flew all over the kitchen. The girl was knocked flat on the floor by the force of the explosion and although not much injured by the accident, yet she was scared so badly that she was unable to do any work for several hours after.

—John Kelly, a resident of Annin township, while hunting in the woods near Mt. Alton last Friday, accidentally shot himself. He was sitting on a log and hearing a noise, arose and started in the direction from whence the noise proceeded having the gun by the muzzle which in some manner was exploded, the charge taking effect in his right wrist. The unfortunate man was brought to this borough, for treatment when it was found necessary to amputate his hand.

—An attempt at burglary was made at the residence of Mr. [illegible] on Water street, on Thursday night of last week. It is known that Mr. Q. [illegible] a check for [illegible] drawn by the County Treasurer cashed at the bank just before the hour of closing, and it is thought that some [illegible] persons who knew of the drawing of the money and supposing he had it at his home expected to make a big haul. During the night Mrs. Q. heard the noise, got up and the burglar heard her and skipped out. The back door was found open and a window had been removed.

—The correspondent of the *[illegible] Eagle* who signs himself "La Grippe" must have been suffering with a severe attack of that disease when he wrote the criticism on the concert given by the Smethport band on Monday evening of last week. It was not very complimentary to say the least, and probably emanated from some hayseed from off the "Island farm" near State Line Mills. But we do not know as anything else could be expected from a person whose soul seems to be so small and whose judgment is so warped that he can only speak ill of anything outside the precincts of the "jumping off place."

—A capital whitewash is made by mixing common, water-lime cement with sweet, skimmed milk to the proper consistency. The following is the government whitewash, and a fine whitewash it is: Put two pailfuls of boiling water in a barrel, add one-half of a bushel of well burned, fresh quicklime, put in quickly one peck of common salt, dissolve in hot water, and cover the barrel tightly to keep in the steam while the lime is slacking; when the violent ebullition is over, stir till well mixed together, and, if necessary, add more boiling water so as to have the mass like thick cream, strain through a sieve or coarse cloth. Make a thin starch of three pounds of rice flour and one pound of strong glue, having first soaked the glue in cold water, and to the latter mixture add two pounds of whiting. Add this to the limewash, and also sufficient hot water to dilute to the proper consistency, keep hot while applying. It will require about six quarts of the mixture to 100 square feet of surface, and it will last remarkably well. It goes without saying, that it may be made any color desired.

I've been suffering for the past three weeks with a strained wrist. I tried Salvation Oil, and find myself, after having used one bottle, entirely cured. CHAS. KEYSER, 120 Mulberry St., Baltimore, Md.

—As you know, we are a little modest and do not like to toot our own horn too loud, but we think we can safely say without fear of contradiction that L. W. Mason has in stock the finest line, and the most complete stock of decorated china, Cups and Saucers, Toilet sets for Xmas presents ever shown outside of the large cities.

—Before buying holiday goods call and examine the extensive stock of watches, clocks, jewelry, silverware, toys, spectacles, eyeglasses etc., at the store of M. L. Armstrong. He has the finest assortment to be found in this section and is selling at remarkably low prices, character of goods considered. His fine stock of sleds will be sold below cost.

PERSONAL MENTION.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting at this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

Robert King visited Coudersport last week.

E. B. Nash, of Rixford, was in town, Tuesday.

Chas. Ross, of Kane, was about town Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Pickard is suffering with an attack of fever.

E. B. Thomas, of Bradford, had business in town Monday.

S. S. Bolls, of Olean, was in town on Monday of this week.

E. L. Olmsted, of Colegrove, was in the county seat Tuesday.

Sheridan Gorton and Warren Gifford were in Bradford last Saturday.

Ex-Sheriff Bannon of Bradford, spent several days in town the past week.

Dr. W. P. [illegible] of DuBois Pa., visited Smethport friends this week.

Mr. J. D. Nash returned from his visit to Crawford county on Saturday evening last.

Miss Belle Wright of Rixford, was in town for a few days the past week, visiting with friends.

Mrs. Henry Hamlin, and daughter, Mrs. J. M. McCandless, visited Bradford Friday last.

[illegible], A. J. [illegible], G. F. Howland and L. O. Mattison were over from Bradford Monday.

Mrs. Henry S. [illegible] and Miss Lizzie [illegible] attended the G. A. R. and W. R. C. fair in Bradford last week.

M. J. Hadley, County Surveyor, of Port Allegany, visited the hub of McKean county on Monday last.

John C. [illegible] of Bradford, the general superintendent of the B. B. & K. railroad was in town Monday.

A. L. Pierce and W. A. Davis of Buffalo and F. C. Gale, of Syracuse were guests at the Wright House this week.

L. M. Bell of Stickney Bell & Co., was called to Limestone N. Y. on Monday by the death of his brother M. G. Bell.

Will King of the First National Bank Bradford, was in town last week the guest of his uncle, Robert King of Main Street.

J. C. Backus is home from Philadelphia, where he is taking a law course at the University of Pennsylvania, for the holidays.

N. S. Stewart of [illegible], John Quay of Olean and L. S. Perkins of Friendship, N. Y., were registered at the Grand Central this week.

Hon. Charles H. Noyes of Warren, the newly elected Judge of the 37th district, was in town on Saturday last and made this office a pleasant call.

H. S. Rogers, late junior editor of the MINER, now a law student at the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, is home for the holidays.

Jos. E. Peters and Miss Clara Moses both of [illegible] were united in marriage at the residence of Henry Moses, formerly of Coleville, this county, on Wednesday, Dec. 10th 1890.

E. P. and Jerry McCarty, M. J. Abbott, Prof. J. C. Preston, Misses Bertie and Mary McCarty, Lulu [illegible] and Kate Sergeant of Clermont attended the band boys dance, at this place, on Wednesday evening of last week.

The friends of Mrs. A. Chase and will be glad to learn of her restoration to health and that she will soon return from the sanitarium at Battle Creek, Mich. Her niece, Minnie Howe, who accompanied her is improving and hopes soon to be able to return.

Mr. Jerry Chadwick is at the bedside of his son, Judson, who is seriously ill at the Washington House. He is accompanied by his nephew, Dr. Burg Chadwick of Smethport.—*Star.* We are pleased to learn that there is a change for the better in Mr. Chadwick's condition.

—Everything new in Glassware for Xmas at Mason's.

Many of our young married people don't know what a blessing Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup is until the youngster is able to "yell" by the hour.

A Sad Accident.

The house occupied by O. C. Hood and family at Kinzua Junction, on the B. B. & K. road was destroyed by fire on Tuesday morning last, about 9 a. m. Mr. Hood is station agent at that place and his family consisted of a wife and babe six months old. Mrs. Hood had gone to a neighbor's on an errand a few moments before the fire broke out and had left the baby sleeping in a cradle. She could not have been over five minutes away from the house when a high pressure of gas came on in the kitchen stove resulting in igniting a board partition near it and in a moment's time the whole inside of the house was ablaze. Some men were standing on the platform between the two R. R. tracks waiting for the trains from Bradford and Smethport, when one of them discovered the fire in the house a few rods away. They started for the house and in passing the station called to Hood, telling him his home was on fire. Upon reaching the house they found it locked up but by smashing the door in they gained an entrance. Mr. William Montgomery, of New City, one of the waiting passengers, having heard that the babe might be in the house, rushed through the smoke and flames to the bedroom but found the bed empty. About this time Mrs. Hood returned and in desperation attempted to enter the house and rescue her baby, but was restrained by her husband who knew that such an act could only result in her death. After the fire had finished its work of destruction the charred corpse of the little one was recovered. Its limbs were burned from the body and nothing was left but the blackened trunk and head. The body was placed in a box, and on the noon train was taken to Bradford. It was accompanied by the heart-broken parents. On the 3:15 Erie train they proceeded to the home of Mr. Hood's parents at Utica, N. Y.

The household goods were all destroyed entailing a loss of about $700, with no insurance.

—How shall we keep our children home evenings? by purchasing some new goods at McCoy's Drug Store and make home pleasant.

—Howard Wilson has one of the finest assortments of candies and nuts for the holiday trade, ever brought to town. Call and see for yourself.

List of Letters

Remaining in the postoffice at Smethport, Pa., for the week ending Dec. 12.

Clarke, Harry A. Foreign.
Daggett, [illegible].
Dean, George.
[illegible] Rev. Joseph.
Fisher, L. M.
Holmes, C. F.
Hallman, J. J.
[illegible].
McKenny, Miss M.
Melvin, [illegible].
Shields, Peter.
Verney, Miss Nina.

Persons calling for these letters, please say advertised and give date.

E. M. KEENA, P. M.

—Only a few hanging lamps at $1 each left at Mason's.

Death's Doings.

True indeed is the saying, "In the midst of life we are in death," and again we are called upon to chronicle the loss, to some of the readers of the MINER, of a near and dear one.

M. G. BELL.

Mr. M. G. Bell died at his residence at Limestone, N. Y., on Sunday evening last, after a lingering illness, of consumption, in the 44th year of his age. Mr. Bell was a member of the firm of Stickney, Bell & Co., and a brother of L. M. Bell of this place. He was a man of rare good judgment and great executive ability, and will be sadly missed by his business associates. He had been engaged in business in this section for a number of years, and by his kind and genial ways and sterling business qualities, had made a host of friends. The funeral was held on Tuesday last at his late home, Rev. T. W. Chandler officiating. The funeral was largely attended by the Masonic fraternity of which Mr. Bell was a prominent member. The remains were interred in the cemetery at Limestone.

MRS. LUCAS.

Mrs. Samantha Lucas an old and highly respected lady was found dead at her home, up Marvin creek, on Tuesday morning last. Mrs. Lucas was a relict of the late Joseph Lucas and mother of Ira and Lon Lucas. For some time past she had been living alone, her son Lon sleeping in the house nights. On Monday night Lon was compelled to be absent and on going to the house in the morning he found his mother lying on the floor dead. She was 79 years of age, had been in good health for some time past and was making preparations to go away on a visit. Mrs. Lucas was born in Potter county, but had resided in this section where she was well known, for a number of years. The cause of death is supposed to have been heart disease.

MRS. LOVEJOY.

Mrs. C. A. B. Lovejoy, relict of the late Wm. Lovejoy of Prentissvale died at her home in Alameda, Cal., on Thursday, Dec. 4, after a lingering illness aged 70 years 8 months and 4 days. Mrs. Lovejoy was a sister of the late James Bond, of Hamlin township and Mrs. Strong, of Wyoming, N. Y. Her only living brother, who is a resident of Nevada, Cal., was with her at the time of her death, as was also her daughter, Mrs. Kitty Hall. By the older people in this section Mrs. Lovejoy will be well remembered and her death sincerely mourned. The remains were taken to Napa, Cal., for interment.

ADELBERT IRWIN.

Adelbert Irwin, aged 7 years, son of James Irwin of Mt. Jewett died at Dr. Freeman's Sanitarium on Friday night last, where he had been for some weeks under the treatment for a large tumor on the neck. The little fellow was a bright, intelligent boy, who gave great promise for the future, but the dread disease had been allowed to run too long and it was found impossible to help him.

RUTH YOUNG.

Ruth, the six-year old daughter of W. A. Young, died at the family residence in Farmers Valley on Monday last. The funeral services were held on Wednesday, Rev. A. Brown officiating. The remains were interred in the cemetery at Farmers Valley. Ruth was a lovely child and her death is a crushing blow to her parents.

Popularly called the king of medicines—Hood's Sarsaparilla. It conquers scrofula, salt rheum and all other blood diseases.

—L. W. Mason has twenty-five different [illegible] in Bone and Cracker jars.

Behavior in Church.

Some one asked "Bob" Burdette for "a few points on church etiquette." He suggests the following among others, as strictly in vogue in the Church of St. Indolence, New Chicorkadelphia:

Fall or slide into the end of the pew nearest the aisle.

Stay there.

Do not sit erect, but lop. Rest one elbow on the arm of the pew and support the side of the face with the outspread hand. If the cheek can be pushed up in folds and wrinkles, so as to wholly or partially close one eye, all intelligent expression will be destroyed and the attitude of utter and disrespectful laziness will be heightened by the charm of acquired imbecility or natural stupidity.

Do not rise during the singing of the hymns. The fact that you play tennis or base ball on Saturday afternoon, or walked four or five miles around a billiard table Saturday night, entitles you to a little rest Sunday morning. This is a day of rest and you are no Sabbath breaker.

Take advantage of the long prayer when other people should have their eyes closed and their heads bowed, to adjust yourself into a position of limp and lounging listlessness that you can endure comfortably through the sermon.

Extend your legs as far under the pew in front of you as you can make them reach without sliding off your seat.

Gracefully and politely cover your mouth with your hand while yawning during the sermon. If the minister is looking at you, cover the mouth with both hands, and at the close of the yawn bring the jaws together with a cheerful snap.

It is a mark of the highest culture and best breeding in refined society to look at your watch frequently during the service. After looking at your watch always turn your head and gaze longingly and earnestly at the door.—*Robert J. Burdette.*

—M. L. Armstrong invites everybody in search of holiday goods to call and examine his stock. He is confident he can please all. His stock embraces watches, clocks, jewelry, spectacles, eyeglasses, toys, etc. He is selling sleds at prices which will surprise you.

—McCoy's Drug Store, next to Post Office, Odd Fellows Block, has a fine stock of Holiday goods. Entire change of Programme.

To Unseated Land Owners.

The attention of those who own unseated lands in McKean County is called to the following Act of Assembly:

AN ACT to regulate the collection of taxes on unseated lands.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That after June first, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, all taxes levied upon unseated lands, within the counties of this Commonwealth, shall be paid by the owner or owners of such unseated lands within the year for which the same are levied, and in case of the refusal or failure of any person or persons, companies or bodies corporate, owner or owners of such unseated lands to pay the taxes so levied within the year for which the same are levied and collectible, then interest at the rate of six per centum, per annum, is to be charged upon the amount of said taxes, or any part thereof, remaining due and unpaid from and after the first day of the year following that for which said taxes were levied until the same has been paid in full, or the land sold as now provided by law for the sale of unseated lands. Provided, No interest shall be charged upon taxes levied for the years one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six and one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved. The 6th day of June, A. D. 1887.
JAMES A. BEAVER.

—Some of the finest specimens of photography, ever seen in this place is now on exhibition at the postoffice. The work was executed by Mr. Charles Latham, of the Moss Gallery, who is prepared to do all work in his line at reasonable prices and in the highest style of the art. All classes, rich and poor alike, are welcome and all will be treated alike.

AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities As Related by Our Regular Correspondents.

KANE.

Uncontrollable sewer gas and the elements.

James Kline has been quite ill but is on the streets again.

Kane is to have a $20,000 opera house. [illegible]

Kane can produce almost anything a family needs except quinine.

When I want to find out anything I ask some one who doesn't know.

We had two explosions last week, caused by sewer gas. Damage slight.

W. B. Smith has returned from New York, much improved in health.

The brush block factory of Joshua Davis & Son is running night and day.

Lou A. Larson son of A. L. Larson is at home from Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa.

Our police are very much annoyed by the [illegible] on Barnes and Dawson streets.

Oil operations are nearly at a stand-still in the Kane field owing to the low price of oil.

Ambrose H. Lorey has killed a number of deer and regrets the shortness of the season.

Too much talk about vicious habits. One would like to know what vicious habits they mean in Kane.

Passenger traffic on the P. & E. is still very heavy, while the freight business is not unusually brisk.

Ice houses and ponds have been put in good repair by our hotel men, butchers and quite a few private individuals.

A man who says foot-bridge is liable to be knocked down by "Way Back." The *Leader* [illegible].

Turkeys are discouragingly high at this time and I may be compelled to go out of town some dark night before the 25th.

Why not have a town clock on the new school house? I think the street railway and the P. & E. R. R. Co. will grant the right of way.

[illegible] was in town a short time on [illegible]. He was looking well and reported [illegible] between Kane and the county seat.

Pat. Fleming, of Sheffield, a brother of John Fleming of the Fleming House, died very suddenly and was buried on Monday. A great many from Kane attended the funeral.

A new time table went into effect on last Saturday. Day express No. 5 now leaves at [illegible] a. m. instead of 7:15 as heretofore. No other change in the arrival or departure of passenger trains of the P. & E. R. R. at Kane.

[illegible] Jane, wife of C. H. Derrick, died on Wednesday of last week of cancer of the stomach, after an illness of nearly two years which she bore with Christian fortitude. She leaves a [illegible] daughter and a loving husband to [illegible].

Our merchants report the heaviest outside trade at this time of year [illegible].

KENDALL CREEK.

Chas. Berry [illegible]

Miss [illegible]

Mrs. J. Q. [illegible] last week. She was called there by the illness of her mother.

Mrs. Jennie Seymour will give an entertainment next Monday evening at the opera house. After the programme has been rendered a supper will be served [illegible] including supper.

Prof. [illegible] of Bradford organized a class in vocal culture and singing. The class [illegible] promises to be very successful. It will meet every Saturday evening at the M. E. Church.

The [illegible] at the Opera House last Thursday evening was the [illegible] party of the season, thus far. The attendance was large but the floor [illegible]. The ladies served an elegant supper [illegible].

Rev. T. F. Parker of Avon, N. Y., gave his [illegible] lecture "The Sacred Tabernacle" at the M. E. Church last Monday evening. The attendance was small, but all who did not attend missed a rare treat. Mr. Parker appeared in the robe of a high priest, and with a model tabernacle explained in a clear concise manner all the parts and properties belonging to it. The lecture was intensely interesting from beginning to end and was replete with information.

About 4 o'clock Friday afternoon fire was discovered in the toothpick factory. The fire caught on the second story from a gas jet, and before it could be extinguished it burst [illegible] toothpicks in the third story. The entire building was soon in flames and in a short time had burned to the ground. The fire company was called out but could not reach the fire with their hose. The property was valued at $1,800 and was insured for $1,500. The factory will be rebuilt.

An entertainment will be given by the pupils of the public school Friday evening, Dec. 19th at the Opera House. The programme will consist of songs, recitations, dialogues, costumed drill, drill in dumb-bells, hoops, tambourines and flags, a scene from the Merchant of Venice, [illegible] and Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works. The children have been carefully trained for a month past. This entertainment will distance anything of the kind ever given in Kendall. The proceeds will be used to supply the school with much needed apparatus and furnishings.

CERES.

Mrs. F. B. Lamphere is seriously ill at present.

W. A. Dalrymple, of Rixford was in town Saturday.

Mrs. J. P. Boothe and daughter spent Tuesday in Olean.

F. M. Nicholson of Cohocton Steuben county is visiting friends in town.

Mrs. J. J. Roberts and Mrs. L. J. Austin visited in Bolivar last week.

[illegible] and Hornsby have a fine lot of cutters and sleighs for the winter trade.

Lawyer Graves and wife of Duke Centre registered at the Oswayo House Tuesday.

The L. & P. now carry the American Express, thus giving us two express companies instead of one.

Mrs. [illegible] is home from Buffalo with her millinery stock well replenished and a fine lot of goods for the holiday trade.

A slight wreck occurred on the B. E. & C. yesterday at Bowlers. The engine was derailed but no serious damage was done.

F. M. Van Wormer was in Olean Friday, having a surgical operation performed on his jaw from the effects of which he is confined to the house.

The Oswayo House will celebrate New Years with a grand ball. This house is noted for its large and enjoyable parties, and under the management of Mrs. Chapman it increases in popularity.

The King's Daughters No. 1 are active in good deeds as well as thoughts. Friday evening they presented a beautiful comfortable to Abner Holley and last evening their Old Fashioned spelling school beside furnishing a world of fun netted them $5.02. Where are King's Daughters No. 2?

ELDRED.

Supt. Eckels was shaking hands with friends here Monday.

Rev. T. J. Parker of Silver Lake, was in town Tuesday.

George Ramsey is suffering from a badly dislocated shoulder.

Mrs. Thomas Riley and Miss Mattie Scholes visited Bradford Tuesday.

Mrs. A. L. Thrall of Bradford was in town on business the latter part of last week.

Miss Mae Cotter attended the Ward-Kinney wedding at Port Allegany Thursday last.

Mr. Duryea, when going down the hill by his house one day last week fell and broke three ribs.

Miss Eva Wilmouth, who has been attending school at Edinboro is on a short visit to friends here this week.

John Towsley and bride, of Hermitage N. Y. who have been spending some days with friends in town returned home Monday.

Several young couple of this place started for Port Allegany to attend a dance held there Wednesday night, but owing to several accidents on the way they failed to get there in time to enjoy any of the festivities.

Tuesday evening about eight o'clock a bright light in the direction of Indian Creek attracted the attention of our citizens which proved to be a house on fire. It was owned by Nelson Hooker and was occupied by an old man named Stevens who was burned to death. From appearances it seems he had turned on the gas and then attempted to light it when an explosion occurred with the above result.

CLERMONT.

Wm. Abbott spent a few days in Renovo last week.

Mrs. A. W. Harris took a trip to Smethport last Monday.

Miss Emma Howard has gone to Quaker Bridge to spend the Holidays.

The jovial Dr. Dennis, of Eldred, was in town last week.

J. D. Flick, of Jefferson county, was in town last week attending to business.

Mrs. L. Stewart and Mrs. L. Martin went to Smethport last Tuesday.

Mrs. Jordan, of this place, was called to Cameron, Pa., one day last week by the severe illness of her father.

Several young people from here drove to Smethport last Wednesday evening to attend the band boys fair and dance.

Bert Harvey, of Buffalo, has returned to this place, after an absence of about four months and has accepted a position as yard master from the P. R. R. Co.

Last Friday afternoon the residence of M. Whalen caught fire from the chimney, but a timely discovery saved it from being burnt to the ground. The damage was not serious.

The lecture given in the church last Friday evening, by Rev. H. C. [illegible], was one of the finest that it has ever been our pleasure to hear. The paintings exhibited, show a great deal of artistic skill. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the crowd was not very large.

HASSON.

Where are the organizers of our literary society.

Mrs. Orpha [illegible] is very sick. She returned from Randolph, N. Y., where she had been visiting her daughter, on Monday.

Mrs. Marietta Davis, of Coleville, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in this place.

Mrs. Emma Hoffman, of Bell's Camp, visited her sister, Mrs. Philip [illegible], last week.

C. [illegible] and C. L. Combs and Misses Alida Foster and Mamie Pattison, spent Sunday with friends in Custer City.

Miss Mary Pattison called on friends in Smethport Monday.

Charlie Hoffman, of Smethport, was shaking hands with friends here on Sunday.

MT. JEWETT.

E. R. McCoy drove to Kane last Monday.

O. H. Sparks made a business trip to Kane on Wednesday last.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Brewer visited friends at Colegrove last Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bell and children returned from Austin last Thursday where they have been spending a week with friends.

Mt. Jewett people took advantage of the good sleighing last Sunday, and merry sleigh bells greeted us on all sides. Good sleighing like the past few weeks makes the liveryman look pleased.

Mt. Jewett is a very busy little town and is building up very rapidly. It has less fires than any of the surrounding towns, but the burning of our school building on Monday morning of last week, ought to be a lesson to our citizens, to put every effort forward to have our town supplied with water, for with a good supply of water the building could have been saved.

The sad accident that befell George, aged twelve, son of P. L. Mager of this place, on last Saturday ought to be a warning to all boys who make it a practice of jumping off and on trains. George jumped on a log train as it came in from [illegible] and was thrown between the cars. One of his legs was smashed below the knee. Dr. Vanslyke was called, and thinks he can save the limb from amputation.

By innumerable cures, Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup has won for itself a most enviable reputation.

—For fine candies go to Howard Wilson's. He has an elegant line for the holiday trade.

—Whiskeys, wines and liquors, N. R. Collins & Co., Bradford, Pa. Largest stock, lowest prices.

Facts Worth Knowing.

In all disease of the nasal mucous membrane the remedy used must be non-irritating. The medical profession has been slow to learn this. Nothing satisfactory can be accomplished with douches, snuffs, powders or syringes because they are all irritating, do not thoroughly reach the affected surfaces and should be abandoned as worse than failures. A multitude of persons who had for years borne all the worry and pain that catarrh can inflict testify to radical cures wrought by Ely's Cream Balm.

For the Holidays.

M. L. Armstrong has the finest and most carefully selected stock of watches, clocks, jewelry, silverware, and toys, to be found in this part of the country, and he is selling at very low prices quality considered. Just now he is making a specialty of spectacles and eyeglasses and has a magnificent stock and guarantees to give your eyes a perfect fit. In the line of toys, the person who cannot here be suited must be fastidious indeed. In the matter of sleds he has a fine stock which he will sell below cost, to clear them out. Don't fail to give him a call before making your selections.

—For fine goods in the liquor line, either for medicinal or family use order of N. R. Collins & Co., Bradford, Pa.

—D. C. Young has a nice lot of winter apples for sale.

Christmas Presents.

To the people of Smethport and vicinity, one and all. Let me help you solve the all important question "What shall I buy for a christmas gift." There is nothing that makes a more appropriate gift than the thousand and one things that can be found in my store, and if you will call I will take great pleasure in showing them to you. I have fine watches, clocks, silverware, jewelry, toys in unlimited quantities, sleds that I am selling below cost, spectacles and eyeglasses, and many things that cannot be here enumerated. Call and see for yourself. M. L. ARMSTRONG.

Remington's Newspaper Manual.

The fourth annual edition of the newspaper manual of Remington Bros., of Pittsburgh is at hand. The new issue shows a vast improvement over previous numbers in variety and arrangement of matter, and the book is enclosed in handsome and substantial binding. The contents include a complete list of all newspapers in the United States and Canada, with their days of issue, politics and circulations. All the lists are catalogued by towns in alphabetical order, and in the general list the estimated population is given of each town and of the county in which it is located. To advertisers especially Remington Bros.' publication must prove invaluable. It is one of the most complete works of the kind ever published.

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A well known physician in New York advises all his patients that suffer with Coughs and Colds to use Pan Tina Cough and Consumption Cure. 25 and 50 cents. Trial bottles free at Frank R. Foster Drug Store.

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People fail in many ways. In business, in morality, in religion, in happiness, and in health. A weak heart is often an unsuspected cause of failure in life. If the blood does not circulate properly in the lungs, there is shortness of breath, asthma, etc., in the brain, dizziness, headache, etc., in the stomach, wind, pain, indigestion, faint spells, etc., in the liver, torpidity, congestion, etc. Pain in the left side, shoulder and stomach is caused by heart strain. For all these maladies Dr. Miles' New Cure for the heart and lungs is the best remedy. Sold, guaranteed and recommended by A. B. Armstrong. Treatise free.

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Will be pleased to have a call from the readers of the McKEAN MINER.

Very Respectfully,
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For many years I was afflicted with all the horrible tortures incident to the diseases peculiar to my sex, and spent a fortune seeking relief among the best physicians of Europe in vain. I was finally cured by a simple vegetable remedy given me by a Franco-Mexican Nurse. Desirous that other sufferers may know of it, I will send full particulars to any lady on receipt of stamp to pay postage.

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Holiday Excursion Tickets on the Pennsylvania Railroad.

In pursuance of the usual custom the Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces that Christmas and New Year excursion tickets will be sold between all principal stations on its system at two cents per mile, except between Philadelphia and New York and certain other stations on the United Railroads of the New Jersey Division, where the regular excursion rate and limit will prevail. The tickets will be sold December 24th, 1890, to January 1st, 1891, valid for return passage until January 5th, 1891, inclusive.

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN.

Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man With the [illegible].

—Smoke "First Attempt."

—"First Attempt" clear Havana.

—Go to M. Rosenfield's for clothes.

—CINCINNATI has 20,000 Spiritualists.

—For fine goods in the liquor line, either for medicinal or family use order of N. R. Collins, & Co., Bradford, Pa.

—After breakfast smoke "First Attempt."

—"First Attempt" sold at the Central and Wright House.

—CHOLERA is raging in Aleppo, Syria.

—D. C. Young will have some of those delicious Florida oranges for Christmas same kind he sold last year.

—THE Canadian Indians are reported quiet.

—A large and fine selection of all kinds rocking chairs suitable for holiday presents at Reilly's Furniture & Carpet Store, Smethport.

—THE sugar-cane crop will be a large one.

—Don't buy robes or blankets until you have examined the stock at Gleason & Lemmler's. Largest and finest stock and lowest prices.

—PROFESSOR KOCH calls his lymph "paratoloidin."

—All kinds of House Furnishing goods at Reilly's Furniture & Carpet Store, Smethport, Pa.

—Two Reading girls have been charged with safe robbery.

—"Gold Leaf" Whiskeys, distilled by Gold Leaf Distilling Co. N. R. Collins & Co., Owners and Proprietors.

—The Farm Hill mine in the Scottdale region has been reopened.

—Families, jobbers and everybody can be supplied with fresh and salt meats promptly upon application at Stull's, East Smethport, Pa.

—There have been 25,857 patents granted in the past year.

—"Gold Leaf" Whiskeys, distilled by Gold Leaf Distilling Co. N. R. Collins & Co., Owners and Proprietors.

—SUGAR BEETS have done well west of the Missouri.

—Hoffman is turning out finer Photo's than ever at his gallery on Union St. Do not forget that he has the ground floor and North light, so desirable in that business.

—On Saturday last $12,000 was paid out in wages at the Hummelstown stone quarries.

—Go to J. G. Hall, of Port Allegany, Pa., for all kinds of flooring, ceiling, wainscoting, siding, wood turning, mouldings, etc. Pike lever handles a specialty. 8ft

—Jacob Cole, a Greensburg liveryman, was knocked senseless and robbed of $167 by two men.

—Hoffman at his gallery on Union St., wants none but respectable people. He would rather have the other kind go elsewhere.

—During the first month of free postal delivery at South Bethlehem, 70,707 pieces of mail were handled.

Don't suffer with indigestion, use Baxter's Mandrake Bitters. For sale by H. L. McCoy and A. B. Armstrong.

—THERE are 208,749 railroad bridges in the United States.

The reason why Arnica & Oil Liniment is so popular with the ladies is because it not only is very healing and soothing but its odor is not at all offensive. For sale by H. L. McCoy and A. B. Armstrong.

—THE sorghum crop has made a small yield except at the South.

—Persons desiring to travel, please call on, or write for rates to W. W. Ball & Sons, Railroad Ticket Brokers and Gen. Pass Agts to any point and over any line. 152 Union St., Olean, N. Y. Telephone connections.

—TIN ore been discovered in Kittitas County, Washington.

—The finest stock of robes, blankets and horse furnishings, in this section at Gleason & Lemmler's.

—Whiskeys, wines and liquors, at N. R. Collins & Co., Bradford, Pa. Largest stock, lowest prices.

—TWO HUNDRED trains go out of the Grand Central Station, New York City, daily.

A lottery ticket may sometimes be a paying investment, a far better one is a 25c. box of Old Saul's Catarrh Cure. It pays every time.

—Cortland county creamery butter can be found at J. H. Stull's meat market, East Smethport, Pa.

Holiday Presents.

If you want to make a holiday present be sure to examine the stock at Reilly's Furniture Store, Smethport, Pa.

It is a Mistake.

To try to cure catarrh by using local applications. Catarrh is not a local but a constitutional disease. It is not a disease of the man's nose, but of the man. Therefore, to affect a cure, requires a constitutional remedy like Hood's Sarsaparilla, which, acting through the blood reaches every part of the system, expelling the taint which causes the disease, and imparting health.

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WE HAVE made very extensive preparations for the [illegible] Our selections in this line are Goods wanted in every family [illegible] the exceptions of a few toys for the little ones, are useful [illegible] Family. Our line of Handkerchiefs excel that shown by [illegible] Season, which was very highly complimented. It contains [illegible] from a cheap bordered handkerchief, at from 2 cents, to a [illegible] one at $3.00. Stamped Goods in

Many Varieties and all New Go

Tray Cloths in designs that are entirely new. An elegant line [illegible] TOWELS, which make a very appropriate Christmas Present. [illegible] Books for the children. Who would not appreciate a good [illegible] We have them for you in all sizes and prices.

WE KEEP the largest and finest assortment of Hats and Bonnets [illegible] trimmed and untrimmed, which are to be sold at

50 PER CENT. DISCOUN

Birds, Ostrich Tips, Fancy and plain ribbons, in fact any design [illegible] trimmings, Gloves, mittens, fascinators, mufflers, etc., [illegible] sold at great Bargains. Plush boxes, manicure sets, and many [illegible] articles of the same class, which we cannot in the space allotted [illegible] enumerate. Slippers for Gentlemen, Ladies, Misses and Children. Our reputation for Dress Goods, is too well known to the [illegible] Smethport and vicinity, and that reputation we will maintain [illegible] hazards. Examine our Grand Display of Dolls—they are superb [illegible] will be Sold Cheap.

DON'T FORGET our Great Reduction in Hats and Bonnets, and [illegible] all of our stock. We have the goods, we want the money for them [illegible] and will satisfy you that we mean what we say, if you will call and examine our stock before making your Holiday purchases.

MRS. T. D. NASH.

Smethport, December 5, 1890—tf.

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HOLIDAY DISPLA

—AT—

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The Best and Cheapest lot of DOLLS ever brought into [illegible] town. Dressed Dolls from five cents up, worth twice as much.

FANCY -:- TOYS,

Story Books for the Children,

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Pretty Hemstitched Handkerchiefs for 5 and 10 cents, Albums, Photograph frames, Glove Boxes,

TOILET CASES

in fact everything to gladden the eye and please the hearts of the people.

And right here I wish to state that nearly all these goods were made in this country, and bought at much lower prices than the same can be purchased abroad. This was all brought about by the

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and the genius and intelligence of the American people, consequently the cry that the "tariff is a tax" and that those that buy imported goods pay the tax, will not apply here.

I have American Cashmere, all wool, which I am selling at 50 to 55 cents a yard, as good as imported goods at 75 cents, also a fine line of Arcade Flannels, for women's and children's wear, warranted not to fade or shrink, together with a complete line of

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in the country, and at the old prices, together with a new lot of Slippers for Christmas.

My line of Groceries is very fine as will be attested by all who use them.

My stock of goods is so large and varied that it is impossible to mention even a small part of what I keep. Come to my store and prove for yourself that prices have not advanced, but are lower than ever before. If you do not see what you want call for it, and the goods will be cheerfully shown you.

D. C. YOUNG.

Smethport, Pa., Dec. 9, 1890.

HOLIDAY GOODS

—AT—

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Silk mufflers, cashmere mufflers, kid gloves, driving gloves, [illegible] caps, all the latest novelties. Men's Slippers, ladies' slippers, children's slippers, solid-comfort shoes for grandma.

Smyrna Rugs. -:- Lace Curtains.

DOLLS.
Dolls in great variety. Our 99-cent doll, 33 inches tall, is a wonder. All the little folks want one. Talking dolls, dressed dolls, rubber dolls.

Plush and Leather Goods
in the newest devices. Albums, dressing cases, toilet cases, manicure setts, smoking setts, cigar cases, broom holders, etc.

BOOKS.
Bibles, poems, elegantly bound, popular cloth-bound books, story [illegible] Times, one-syllable histories, picture books, linen a b c books, Christmas cards.

TOYS,
Tin toys, wooden toys, iron toys, child's dishes, cups and saucers, bisque figures, pocket knives, games.

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[illegible] 6:18 A. M.
[illegible] 3:56 P. M.
Trains leaving Smethport at [illegible] connects at Olean with [illegible] for Bradford at Olean with River Division for Allegany, Salamanca [illegible] and Pittsburg.
For Emporium, Johnsonburg, and points south:
[illegible] MAIL 7:11 A. M.
[illegible] 1:52 P. M.
[illegible] 7:50 P. M.
[illegible] Mail connects through to Johnsonburg.
Get Time Tables giving full information from [illegible] Ticket Agent.
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TIME TABLE IN EFFECT DEC. 1, 1890.
WESTWARD. EASTWARD.

[illegible]

JNO. C. McKENNA,
Superintendent.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Rail-road Time Table, [illegible] Monday, Dec. 1, 1890.

[illegible]

Trains run on [illegible] standard time.
B. A. McCLURE, Supt.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect Dec. 14, 1890.
TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION
EASTWARD.

[illegible]

WESTWARD.

[illegible]

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Daily except Sunday.

[illegible]

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Franklin, Philadelphia	[illegible]
Pennsylvania Fire, Philadelphia	4,000,000
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Hanover, New York	2,479,534
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Royal, London	5,400,000
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Bacon and hams, per lb, 2c, 5c.
Beef and pork, per lb, 1c, 2c.
Mutton, 2c, 10 p c.
Extract of meat, all not specially provided for in this act, per lb, [illegible], 20 p c; fluid extract of meat, per lb, [illegible], 35 p c; and no separate or additional duty shall be collected on such coverings unless as such they are suitable and apparently designed for use other than in the importation of meat extracts.
Poultry, live, per lb, 3c, 10 p c; dressed, per lb, 5c, 10 p c.
Wool grease, including that known commercially as degras or brown wool grease, per lb, ½c, 10 p c.

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS.

Cocoa butter or cocoa butterine, per lb, [illegible], 20 p c.
Dandelion root and acorns prepared, and other articles used as coffee, or as substitutes for coffee, not specially provided for, per lb, 1½c, 2c.

SALT.

Salt in bags, sacks, barrels or other packages, per 100 lbs, 12c, 12c; in bulk, per 100 lbs, 8c, 8c. Provided, that imported salt in bond may be used in curing fish taken by vessels licensed to engage in the fisheries, and in curing fish on the shores of the navigable waters of the United States, under such regulations as the secretary of the treasury shall prescribe; and upon proof that the salt has been used for either of the purposes stated in this proviso, the duties on the same shall be remitted. Provided, further, that exporters of meats, whether packed or smoked, which have been cured in the United States with imported salt, shall, upon satisfactory proof, under such regulations as the secretary of the treasury shall prescribe, that such meats have been cured with imported salt, have refunded to them from the treasury the duties paid on the salt so used in curing such exported meats, in amounts not less than $100.
Starch, including all preparations, from whatever substance produced, fit for use as starch, per lb, 2c, 2c and 2½c.
Dextrine, burnt starch, gum substitute, or British gum, per lb, 1½c, 1c.
Spices, ground or powdered, not specially provided for, per lb, 4c, 5c.
Cayenne pepper, unground, per lb, 2½c, free.
Sage, per lb, 3c, free.
There shall be allowed on the imported tin plate used in the manufacture of cans, boxes, packages and all articles of tinware exported, either empty or filled with domestic products, a drawback equal to the duty paid on such tin plate, less one per centum of such duty, which shall be retained for the use of the United States.

SCHEDULE H—SPIRITS, WINES AND OTHER BEVERAGES.

SPIRITS.

Brandy and other spirits manufactured or distilled from grain or other materials, and not specially provided for in this act, per proof gallon, $2.00, $2.
On all compounds or preparations of which distilled spirits are a component part of chief value, not specially provided for in this act, there shall be levied a duty not less than that imposed upon distilled spirits.
Cordials, liquors, arrack, absinthe, kirschwasser, ratafia and other spirituous beverages or bitters of all kinds containing spirits, and not specially provided for, per proof gallon, $2.00, $2.
Bay rum or bay water, whether distilled or compounded, of first proof and in proportion for any greater strength than first proof, per gallon, $1.00, $1.

WINES.

Champagne and all other sparkling wines, in bottles containing each not more than one quart and not more than one pint, per dozen, $7, $8; containing not more than one pint each and not more than one-half pint, per dozen, $4, $4.50; containing one half pint each or less, per dozen, $2, $2.

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SCHEDULE I—COTTON MANUFACTURES.

On cotton cloth [illegible] there is an advance ranging from 5 to 10 p c, but on a few items there is a small decrease. The changes, however, from ad valorem to specific and vice versa and the minute general provisions are so many that experts alone can determine the exact amount of the advance. The most extensive and important changes are as follows:
On cotton cloth bleached, dyed, colored, stained, painted or printed, containing an admixture of silk, and not otherwise provided for, per square yard, and ad valorem, 10c and 35 p c, 50 p c.
Clothing, ready made, and articles of wearing apparel of every description, handkerchiefs, and neckties or neckwear, composed of cotton or other vegetable fiber, or of which cotton or other vegetable fiber is the component material of chief value, made up or manufactured wholly or in part by the tailor, seamstress or manufacturer, all of the foregoing not specially provided for, ad valorem, 50 p c, 35 p c.
All such clothing ready made and articles of wearing apparel having India rubber as a component material (not including gloves or elastic articles specially provided for), per lb and ad valorem, 50c and 50 p c, 35 p c.
Plushes, velvets, velveteens, corduroys and all pile fabrics composed of cotton or other vegetable fiber not bleached, dyed, colored, stained, painted or printed, per square yard and ad valorem, 10c and 20 p c, 35-40 p c; if bleached, per square yard and ad valorem, 12c and 20 p c, 35-40 p c; if dyed, colored, stained, painted or printed, per square yard and ad valorem, 14c and 20 p c, 35-40 p c. But none of the foregoing articles in this paragraph shall pay a less rate of duty than 40 p c ad valorem.
Chenille curtains, table covers and all goods manufactured of cotton chenille or of which cotton chenille forms the component material of chief value, ad valorem, 60 p c, 35 p c.
Stockings, hose and half hose, selvedged, fashioned, narrowed, or shaped wholly or in part by knitting machines or frames, or knit by hand, including such as are commercially known as seamless stockings, hose or half hose, all of the above composed of cotton or other vegetable fiber, finished or unfinished, valued at not more than 60c per dozen pairs, per dozen and ad valorem, 20c and 20 p c, 40 p c; valued at more than 60c per dozen pairs, and not more than $2 per dozen pairs, per dozen and ad valorem, 50c and 40 p c, 40 p c; valued at more than $2 per dozen pairs and not more than $4 per dozen pairs, per dozen and ad valorem, 75c and 40 p c, 40 p c; valued at more than $4 per dozen pairs, per dozen pairs and ad valorem, $1 and 40 p c, 40 p c.
Shirts and drawers composed of cotton or other vegetable fiber, valued at more than $1.50 per dozen and not more than $3 per dozen, per dozen and ad valorem, $1 and 35 p c, 40 p c; valued at more than $3 per dozen and not more than $5 per dozen, per dozen and ad valorem, $1.25 and 40 p c, 40 p c; valued at more than $5 per dozen and not more than $7 per dozen, per dozen and ad valorem, $1.50 and 40 p c, 40 p c; valued at more than $7 per dozen, per dozen and ad valorem, $2 and 40 p c, 40 p c.

SCHEDULE J—FLAX, HEMP AND JUTE AND MANUFACTURES OF.

Flax, not hackled or dressed, per lb, 1c, $20 per ton.
Flax, hackled, known as "dressed line," per lb, 3c, $40 per ton.
Tow of flax or hemp, per lb, ½c, $10 per ton.
Hemp, hackled, known as line of hemp, per ton, $50, $25.
Cables, cordage and twine, except binding twine, composed wholly of manilla or sisal grass, per lb, 1½c, 2½c and 2½c.
Binding twine composed wholly of manilla or sisal grass, per lb, 7-10c, 35 p c.
Cables and cordage made of hemp, per lb, 2½c, 3c.
Tarred cables and cordage, per lb, 3c, 3½c.
Burlaps, not exceeding 60 inches in width, per lb, 1½c, 30 p c.
Bags for grain made of burlaps, per lb, 2c, 40 p c.
Bagging for cotton, gunny cloth, and all similar material suitable for covering cotton, composed in whole or in part of hemp, flax, jute or jute butts, valued at 6c or less per square yard, per square yard, 1 6-10c, 1½c.
Valued at more than 6c per square yard, per square yard, 1 8-10c, 1½c per lb.
Flax gillnettings, nets, webs and seines, when the thread or twine of which they are composed is made of yarn of a number not higher than twenty, per lb and ad valorem, 15c and 35 p c, 35 p c.
When made of threads or twines the yarn of which is finer than number twenty, per lb and ad valorem, 20c and 25 p c, 35 p c.
Linen hydraulic hose, made in whole or in part of flax, hemp, or jute, per lb, 20c, 35 p c.
Oilcloth, valued above 25 cents per square yard, per square yard and ad valorem, 15c and 30 p c, 40 p c.
Yarns or threads composed of flax or hemp, or of a mixture of either of these substances, valued at 13 cents or less per lb, 6c, 35 p c.
Valued at more than 13 cents per lb, ad valorem, 40 p c, 35 p c.
All manufactures of flax or hemp, or of which these substances, or either of them, is the component material of chief value, not specially provided for in this act, ad valorem, 50 p c, 35 p c. Provided, that until Jan. 1, 1894, such manufactures of flax containing more than 100 threads to the square inch, counting both warp and filling, shall be subject to a duty of 35 p c ad valorem in lieu of the duty herein provided.
Collars and cuffs composed entirely of cotton, per dozen pieces and ad valorem, 15c and 35 p c, [illegible]

[illegible] and ad valorem, 10c and 40 p c, 35 p c.
Shawls, and all articles of wearing apparel of every description, and braces or similar articles of this act composed wholly or in part of linen, ad valorem, 50 p c, 35 p c.
Laces, edgings, embroideries, insertings, neck ruffings, ruchings, trimmings, tuckings, lace window curtains and other similar tamboured articles, and articles embroidered by hand or machinery, embroidered and hemstitched handkerchiefs, and articles made wholly or in part of lace, ruffings, tuckings or ruchings, all of the above named articles, composed of flax, jute, cotton or other vegetable fiber, or of which these substances, or either of them, or a mixture of any of them, is the component material of chief value, not specially provided for in this act, ad valorem, 60 p c; provided, that articles of wearing apparel and textile fabrics, when embroidered by hand or machinery, and whether specially or otherwise provided for in this act, shall not pay a less rate of duty than that fixed by the respective paragraphs and schedules of this act upon embroideries of the materials of which they are respectively composed.
All manufactures of jute or other vegetable fiber, except flax, hemp or cotton, or of which jute or other vegetable fiber, except flax, hemp or cotton, is the component material of chief value, not specially provided for, valued at 5c per lb or less, per lb, 2c, 35 p c.
Valued above 5c per lb, ad valorem, 40 p c, 35 p c.

SCHEDULE K—WOOL AND MANUFACTURES OF.

All wools and hair of the first class, per lb, 11c, 10c and 11c.
All wools or hair of the second class, per lb, 12c, 10c and 12c.
Wools of the third class and camel's hair of the third class, the value whereof shall be 13c or less per lb, including charges, ad valorem, 32 p c, 2½c and 3c.
Wools of the third class and camel's hair of the third class, the value whereof shall exceed 13c per lb, including charges, ad valorem, 50 p c, 5c.
Noils, shoddy, top waste, slubbing waste, roving waste, ring waste, yarn waste, garnetted waste and all other wastes composed wholly or in part of wool, per lb, 30c, 10c. Wools and hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals in the form of roping, roving or tops, and all wool and hair which have been advanced in any manner or by any process of manufacture beyond the washed or scoured condition, not specially provided for in this act, shall be subject to the same duties as are imposed upon manufactures of wool not specially provided for in this act.
On woolen and worsted yarns made wholly or in part of wool, worsted, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca, or other animals, valued at not more than 30c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, 27½c and 40 p c, [illegible]
Valued at more than 30c and not more than 40c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, 33c and 35 p c, [illegible] and 35 p c.
Valued at more than 40c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, [illegible] and 40 p c, [illegible] and 35 p c.
On woolen or worsted cloths, shawls, knit fabrics and all fabrics made on knitting machines or frames, and all manufactures of every description made wholly or in part of wool, worsted, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals, not specially provided for, valued at not more than 30c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, 33c and 40 p c, 35c and 35 p c.
Valued at more than 30 and not more than 40c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, 38½c and 40 p c, 35c and 35 p c.
Valued at above 40c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, new rate [illegible] and 50 p c, old rate 35c, [illegible] and the plus 35 p c and 40 p c.
Blankets, hats of wool and flannels for underwear, composed wholly or in part of wool, the hair of a camel, goat, alpaca or other animals, valued at not more than 30c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, 16½c and 30 p c, 10c and 35 p c.
Valued at more than 30c and not more than 40c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, 22c and 35 p c, 12c and 35 p c.
Valued at more than 40c and not more than 50c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, 33c and 35 p c, 18c and 35 p c.
Blankets and hats of wool composed wholly or in part of wool, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals, valued at more than 50c per lb, per lb and ad valorem, 38½c and 40 p c, 24 to 35c and 35 to 40 p c. Flannels composed wholly or in part of wool, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals, valued above 50c per lb shall be classified and pay the same duty as women's and children's dress goods, coat linings, Italian cloths and goods of similar character and description provided by this act. (Old rates, 24c to 35c and 35 p c to 40 p c.)
The old rates on hats of wool differed from the rates of other articles in this classification as follows: Hats valued 40 to 60c per lb, 18c and 35 p c; valued 60 to 80c per lb, 24c and 35 p c; valued above 80c per lb, 35c and 40 p c.
Women's and children's dress goods, coat linings, Italian cloths and goods of similar character or description of which the warp consists wholly of cotton or other vegetable material, with the remainder of the fabric composed wholly or in part of wool, worsted, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals, valued at not exceeding 15 cents per square yard, per square yard and ad valorem, 7c and 40 p c, 5c and 35 p c.
Valued at above 15 cents per square yard, per square yard and ad valorem, 8c and 50 p c, 7c and 40 p c. Provided, That on all such goods weighing over four ounces per square yard the duty per lb shall be four times the duty imposed by this act on a pound of unwashed wool of the first class, and in addition thereto 50 p c ad valorem.
On women's and children's dress goods, coat linings, Italian cloth, bunting and goods of similar description or character composed wholly or in part of wool, worsted, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals, and not specially provided for in this act, per square yard and ad valorem, 12c and 50 p c, 9c and 40 p c; provided that on all such goods weighing over four ounces per square yard the duty per lb shall be four times the duty imposed by this act on a pound of unwashed wool of the first class, and in addition thereto 50 p c ad valorem. (Old rate, 35c per lb and 40 p c ad valorem.)
Old rate for bunting, 10c and 35 p c.
Clothing ready made, and articles of wearing apparel of every description, made up or manufactured wholly or in part, not specially provided for in this act, felts not woven and not specially provided for in this act, and plushes and other pile fabrics, all the foregoing, composed wholly or in part of wool, worsted, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals, per lb and ad valorem, 49½c and 60 p c, 40c and 35 p c.
Cloaks, dolmans, jackets, talmas, ulsters or other outside garments for ladies' and children's apparel and goods of similar description, or used for like purposes, composed wholly or in part of wool, worsted, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals, made up or manufactured wholly or in part, per lb and ad valorem, 49½c and 60 p c, 45c and 40 p c.
On webbings, gorings, suspenders, braces, belting, bindings, braids, galloons, fringes, gimps, cords, cords and tassels, dress trimmings, laces and embroideries, head nets, buttons or barrel buttons, or buttons of other forms, for tassels or ornaments, wrought by hand or braided by machinery, any of the foregoing which are elastic or non-elastic, made of wool, worsted, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals, or of which wool, worsted, the hair of the camel, goat, alpaca or other animals is a component material, per lb and ad valorem, 50c and 60 p c, 30c and 50 p c.
Aubusson, Axminster, Moquette and Chenille carpets, figured or plain; carpets woven whole for rooms, and all carpets or carpeting of like character or description, and Oriental, Berlin and other similar rugs, per square yard and ad valorem, 60c and 40 p c, 45c and 30 p c.
Saxony, Wilton and Tournay velvet carpets, figured or plain, and all carpets or carpeting of like character or description, per square yard and ad valorem, 60c and 40 p c, 45c and 30 p c.
Brussels carpets, figured or plain, and all carpets or carpeting of like character or description, per square yard and ad valorem, 44c and 40 p c, 30c and 30 p c.
Velvet and tapestry velvet carpets, figured or plain, printed on the warp or otherwise, and all carpets or carpeting of like character or description, per square yard and ad valorem, 40c and 40 p c, 25c and 30 p c.
Tapestry Brussels carpets, figured or plain, and all carpets or carpeting of like character or description, printed on the warp or otherwise, per square yard and ad valorem, 28c and 40 p c, 20c and 30 p c.
Treble ingrain, three ply and all chain Venetian carpets, per square yard and ad valorem, 19c and 40 p c, 12c and 30 p c.
Wool Dutch and two ply ingrain carpets, per square yard and ad valorem, 14c and 40 p c, 8c and 30 p c.
Druggets and bockings, printed, colored or otherwise, per square yard, ad valorem, 22c and 40 p c, 15c and 30 p c.
Felt carpeting, figured or plain, per square yard, ad valorem, 11c and 40 p c, 40 p c.
Carpets and carpeting of wool, flax or cotton, or composed in part of either, not specially provided for, ad valorem, 50 p c, 40 p c.
Mats, rugs, screens, covers, hassocks, bed sides, art squares, and other portions of carpets or carpeting, made wholly or in part of wool, and not specially provided for, shall be subjected to the rate of duty herein imposed on carpets or carpetings of like character or description, old rate, 40 p c.

SCHEDULE L—SILK, SILK GOODS.

Spun silk in skeins or cops or on beams, ad valorem, 35 p c, 30 p c.
Velvets, plushes or other pile fabrics, containing, exclusive of selvedges, less than 75 p c in weight of silk, per pound and ad valorem, $1.50 and 15 p c, 50 p c; containing, exclusive of selvedges, 75 p c or more in weight of silk, per lb and ad valorem, $3.50 and 15 p c, 50 p c. But in no case shall any of the foregoing articles pay a less rate of duty than 50 p c ad valorem.
Webbings, 50 p c, 50 p c.
Laces and embroideries, handkerchiefs, neck ruffings and ruchings, clothing ready made and articles of wearing apparel of every description, including knit goods, made up or manufactured wholly or in part by the tailor, seamstress or manufacturer, composed of silk or of which silk is the component material of chief value, not specially provided for in this act, ad valorem, 60 p c, 50 p c; provided that all such clothing ready made and articles of wearing apparel, when composed in part of india rubber (not including gloves or elastic articles that are specially provided for in this act), shall be subject to a duty of 8c per ounce, and in addition thereto 60 p c ad valorem.

[To be continued.]

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TOPICS OF IMPORTANCE TO PROGRESSIVE AGRICULTURISTS.

Valuable Facts About Potato Growing That Have Been Arrived at by Experimental Culture and Forcing for Large Yields as Practiced in Recent Years.

Of recent years the potato has been subjected to experimental culture and forcing for large yields more than any other of our food producing plants. Its diseases and insect enemies have caused the best study and thought of scientists to be enlisted for its protection. Following are some of the conclusions definitely arrived at by our progressive farmers, together with notes suggested by results gained from various experiment plots.

The best soil for the potato is a mellow, dry and fertile loam. Soils that do not require underdraining are preferred, as standing water in hot seasons is fatal to the crop. Stable manure, well rotted, is the most common fertilizer for the potato crop. Fresh manure ought to be spread upon the ground in the autumn or early winter to decompose and saturate the soil in readiness for the prospective crop. Manure fresh in the spring should be reserved for the corn crop. In some instances commercial fertilizers have aided in producing phenomenal yields. Whatever manures are used these ought to be in an available condition during the early growth of the plant.

Early plantings are the most trustworthy, but plantings that mature late always yield well, provided these escape a fall drought. Cool, moist weather for a few weeks previous to the harvesting of the tubers is decidedly favorable to a large crop. The old fashioned plan of making conical hills with the hoe, to be cultivated both ways, has either been abandoned or greatly modified. Drill culture is now almost universal. Planting deep or shallow has been decided by advanced potato raisers in favor of the former, with level culture of the surface; yet a majority of farmers still plant shallow and hill up with the plow when the plants are pretty well grown.

Planting whole tubers makes the largest yield in bushels. Single eyes from tubers of good size and quality make larger potatoes but fewer in the hill. A compromise between the two methods of from two and three eyed pieces up to thirds and halves of medium size is quite commonly practiced. After many years' testing of the various modes from whole tubers to single eyes on the Rural New Yorker's experiment grounds, where some phenomenal yields have been gained, the advice continues to be the planting of "three eyes with all the flesh on each piece possible for big yields."

Harrowing lightly after planting, and just before the shoots break through, destroys the first crop of weeds and makes after culture easy. The later runs of the cultivator should be shallow, to avoid injury to the roots. Such cultivation may be continued until the tops fall down so as to be in the way.

Many inventions are on the market for harvesting potatoes, some of which are being employed on large areas with profit. The four-tined fork still retains its popularity, however, as a standard digger among the majority of small growers. Potatoes for long keeping must be dry when stored and the storage room kept at a low, even temperature, with the light excluded.

Characteristic Points in Sheep.

The chief differences between the Leicesters and Lincolns are seen in the larger and bolder heads of the latter, which are much more robust in type. The modern Leicester is smaller in carcass and finer in bone than the Lincoln, which is paramount in point of size and weight of all our breeds of sheep. The Lincoln wool is displayed in large and bold masses, and is denser, stronger and more [illegible] longer and heavier than that of the Leicester. The face of the Lincoln is more uniformly white, whereas dark or black spots are often seen on the ears of the Leicester.

The Hampshiredown is much larger and bolder in form and falls little behind the Southdown in fullness and symmetry. The old faults of neck, shoulder and rump have long disappeared under careful breeding, and for width of carcass and utility of form they will give way to no breed. Still the Southdown must be considered as superior in its exquisitely rounded contour of form. The head of the Hampshire is almost black, and well covered between the ears, which are long and fall away from the head, giving great width to the pole. This lopping of the ear may be carried too far, but must be considered as characteristic. The short ears of the Southdown are more erect, and are set rather more within the outline of the head. The nose of the Hampshire is thick and bold in the ram, and more rounded than in the Southdown. The Hampshire is cleaner under the throat than the Shropshire, as already mentioned. It is next to the Lincoln in actual weight. The chief point of excellence in the Hampshiredown is its extreme earliness of maturity. No breed can touch it in this particular.

Danger to the Apiary in Winter.

Mice are a decided nuisance in the apiary and consequently must be guarded against. They will often enter the hive on the outdoor stand, when not excluded, and make extensive depredations. Sometimes often cutting a space in the combs, they will make their nest there. The animal heat created by the bees makes a tempting place for their winter quarters. The entrance to the hives ought to be sufficiently contracted to keep mice from entering. Rats are fond of honey, and when this is accessible will eat quantities of it. The entrances of hives standing out are too small to admit a rat. Where the bees are wintered indoors too great care cannot be exercised to keep the apartment clear of both rats and mice, as their running over the hives, even if prevented from entering them, disturbs and irritates the bees.

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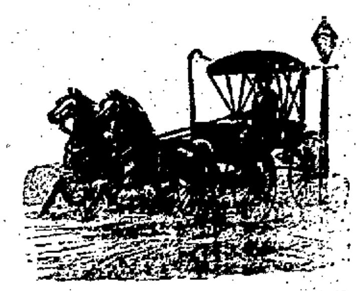

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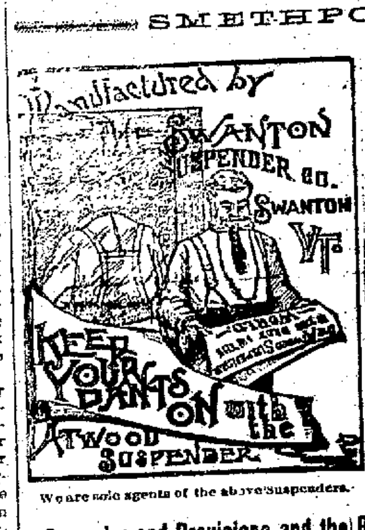
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CAME TO MY PREMISES ABOUT FIVE weeks ago, a yearling heifer. The owner can have the animal by proving property and paying charges. JOHN STENSTRUM.
Kanesholm, Dec. 8, 1890.

Strayed.

FROM the premises of the subscriber at Kasson, early in July last, a light roan heifer, three years old the coming spring. She is heavy bodied with short legs. Any information leading to her whereabouts left at this office or to me at Kasson, will be reasonably rewarded.
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E. A. MCCANDLESS.
Mt. Jewett, Pa., Dec. 1, 1890.—3t.

Notice.

AND NOW, NOVEMBER 11, 1890, IT IS ordered that the second week of the regular June term of the several courts of McKean county, be and the same is hereby abolished, so that hereafter, until further order, the regular June term of said courts shall consist of one week, commencing on the first Monday of June of each and every year.
PER CURIAM.
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